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WIFE ADMIRED HANDSOMER MAN

Edward A. Wright's Charges Against Mrs. Wright.

SALESMAN FILES CROSS-BILL

SAYS SHE ACCEPTED DR. MARTIN'S ATTENTIONS.

Name of a Prominent Physician Brought Into a Divorce Suit Pending in the St. Louis Circuit Court.



MRS. MARY E. WRIGHT.

Edward A. Wright, a salesman for a Washington avenue wholesale house, filed a cross-bill to Mrs. Mary E. Wright's petition for a divorce Saturday in Judge Spencer's court, charging that the plaintiff's alleged infatuation for Dr. T. A. Martin, a prominent physician, had caused his domestic troubles.

The bill was prepared by Attorneys Paxton and Clark.

The defendant alleges that from the day Dr. Martin became his family physician in 1894 Mrs. Wright showed an inclination for his society that was humiliating to the defendant, towards whom, it is claimed, she became cold and indifferent.

Mr. Wright complains that she not only indicated her pleasure at Dr. Martin's attentions, but also received presents from him. He relates episodes, alleged to have occurred between Mrs. Wright and Dr. Martin in 1899 at Sylvan Beach, Mich., 5218 Ridge avenue, 3229 Washington avenue and 3331 Washington avenue, in support of his claim that she preferred the physician's society to that her husband.

In conclusion he asks to be awarded the custody of his 15-year-old daughter, Bernice, and a decree of divorce.

Mrs. Wright sued for a divorce two months ago, charging the defendant with many indignities. She claimed he was addicted to the use of profanity and humiliated her in a street car by shouting to her to get a divorce and marry some one else. She declared he was so penurious in his allowances to her that she was compelled to keep boarders and give instructions in music to pay expenses. He had a surly disposition, she said, and vented his temper by refusing to speak to her, and ordering her not to play cards with her boarders. She averred that he abandoned her July 2, last, and that when she went to his place of business to insist that he make some provision for the support of herself and her daughter, he spoke insultingly to her.

Dr. Martin boarded with Mr. and Mrs. Wright until they separated. He has the reputation of being one of the handsomest members of his profession in St. Louis. His fine, portly physique and well-formed face are calculated to attract attention anywhere. He has lived in St. Louis 15 years, and has a large practice.

"Wright's charges against me have my supreme contempt," said Dr. Martin when informed of the filing of the cross-bill. "I shall immediately take steps to exonerate myself, and, when the proper time comes, I shall tell what I know about the case, which will be anything but complimentary to Wright. I have nothing else to say now."

READS LIKE A FOOD TRUST

Company Organized in New York With $10,000,000 Capital and Extraordinary Privileges.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 15.—"The Natural Food Company" of the city of Niagara Falls, with a capital stock of $10,000,000, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The corporation tax alone amounts to $12,500.

The company will manufacture foods and dispose of the same and will also manufacture machinery and construct mills. The company is authorized to purchase, acquire, hold and dispose of the stocks, bonds and other evidences of indebtedness of any corporation, domestic or foreign, engaged in a business similar to that of this corporation.

LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM SPOILED

Irate Brother of the Bride Followed 65 Miles on Horseback and Took Her Home Most Unfeelingly.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

MIDDLESBOROUGH, Ky., Dec. 15.—After having ridden horseback in the dark for 65 miles through the mountains, Miss Bessie Zepp, the daughter of Charles Zepp, a wealthy citizen of Big Stone Gap, and D. C. Williams of the same place, arrived here this morning to be married.

They stopped at a minister's house, and just before the clergyman pronounced the words which would have made the couple man and wife, the girl's brother burst into the room, and, seizing her by the arm, put her on her horse and started for home with her. The brother had ridden at a furious rate to overtake the eloping couple.

Coal Dealers at War.—V. T. Martin, a coal dealer, residing at 3518 Evans avenue, is charged in a warrant sworn out by Mrs. Lillie Schneider, 3.18½ Evans avenue, whose husband is also a coal dealer, with assault and battery. Rivalry in their business, Mrs. Schneider says, caused the trouble. She declares that Martin pushed her down and bruised her arm and body.

COAST SWEPT BY GREAT STORM

Churches and Houses Blown Down and Trees Uprooted.

BUT TWO PERSONS KILLED

MAN BLOWN FROM TOP OF A TOWER AT SALINAS.

San Francisco and the Coast Generally Was Cut Off From the World for Some Hours by Telegraph Breakage.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The heaviest wind and rainstorm in the history of the state raged for half an hour Friday forenoon. One woman was killed near Salinas, and the damage to property will be considerable. The telegraph and telephone companies suffered severely and for several hours service was completely suspended. Even at midnight communication with the outside world was badly damaged. The greatest damage done to the wires was between this city and Benecina, where the wind from San Francisco had a full sweep.

In places poles for several hundred yards were blown down and the wires were thrown into a mass of confusion. The few telegrams received from outside points show that the storm extended quite generally over the central and northern portions of the state. The principal damage done was caused by the wind, which blew down many trees, fences and buildings. The only fatality reported is from Salinas, where Mrs. John King was instantly killed by being blown from the tank of a windmill. Her husband at Seattle has been notified.

Heavy thunder and lightning accompanied the storm.

Houses and Trees Blown Down.

In this city the wind blew at a terrible velocity, and the rain descended in sheets. High fences and billboards were blown down, lampposts were twisted, signs were thrown to the sidewalks and plateglass windows were broken. Trees were blown across car tracks and the roofs and fronts of frail buildings were carried away. An old house on Bartlett street was torn down and its occupant, Mrs. Kate Ramsey, 70 years old, was seriously injured.

In Oakland the greatest force of wind did not exceed a period of over 20 minutes, but it made its presence felt every minute. On the Oakland Mole 20 poles were blown down and telegraph connections with San Francisco were effectually cut off until late in the evening. At Adams' Wharf heavy planks were dashed about and some were blown into the water. At the Judson Rolling Mills one of the big smokstacks was blown down and a part of the works was unroofed. Long wharf resembled a scene of a collision between two building material yards. Lumber, barrels and material were scattered everywhere. Four empty coal cars standing on the end of the old wharf caught the full force of the wind and were driven off the end of the track into the bay.

Two Churches Were Demolished.

At Berkeley, St. Mathew's Episcopal Church, in Lorin, was entirely demolished. A house in process of construction nearby was blown over. A six-room house in West Berkeley was wrenched out of shape. Many other structures were badly strained and minor damage to property was widespread.

St. Mathew's Church, on Grove street, near Russell, was wrecked beyond repair. Many trees were uprooted. Meager dispatches from outside points show that the storm covered considerable territory.

At Vallejo several persons were injured by flying debris. Several thousand feet of lumber were blown into the bay. A large section of the roof of the Wilson House was carried off by the wind, the large coal shed of the Vallejo Gas Co. was demolished, the electric light and telephone systems were badly damaged. The storm lasted half an hour.

In Fairfield some houses were blown down. In Farming and Orchard districts several outbuildings and fencing were damaged. Havoc was played with garden plants and trees were uprooted. Reports received here tonight from Rio Vista, Cordelia and Elmira are to the effect that the cyclone inflicted much damage, especially in demolishing sheds. Poles on the line of the Bay Counties Power Company, in the Tule Land, show the effects of the storm and are leaning over. In the vicinity of Nap trees were felled. One partially wrecked the office of the Sawyer Tanning Co.

The roofs of several barns were blown off and the school house at Soscol was moved two feet.

On J. B. Morris' ranch at Agua Caliente, a large gum tree was prostrated by the high wind and striking Morris' residence, cut part of it in two. Fortunately the inmates escaped injury. Chimneys, fencing and outbuildings were blown down in different parts of Sonoma Valley. At Dixon, barns and windmills were completely demolished. Telegraph wires north and south were blown down.

TWO KILLED AT SALINAS.

The Storm's Greatest Fury Wreaked at That Point.

SALINAS, Cal., Dec. 15.—Salinas was visited by a storm yesterday for about ten minutes, which was the most furious within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. The storm assumed the form of a cyclone. Much damage to the town and vicinity resulted. One woman was killed.

In San Miguel Canyon the storm was severe, lasting fully an hour, raging with intense violence. Large trees were snapped in two and uprooted, derricks were blown down and much serious damage was done to orchards. Near Salinas the pumping plant on the McKinnon ranch was blown down, and in Watsonville great damage resulted. The rear of Kennedy's livery stable was blown in and the roof damaged. At Chular the roof of a large warehouse was blown off.

Reports from different parts of the county show that the storm was general in character, probably less severe than in Salinas and places north of here. Telegraph and telephonic communication has been cut off since yesterday noon.

John Jenkins, residing about two miles from Salinas, near Spreckles, was instantly killed by being blown from the tank of a windmill. The wind becoming violent, the unfortunate man climbed upon the tank, 2 feet high, to throw the mill out of gear and save it from damage. While in this perilous situation the wind increased, he was unable to retain his position and was blown to the ground.

CHILD IS GUARDED BY MEN WITH SHOTGUNS



—Photographed by the Post-Dispatch.

LITTLE MAUD THOMAS AND THE O'LAUGHLIN HOMESTEAD IN KIRKWOOD.

In Order to Prevent His Adopted Daughter, Maud Thomas, From Being Abducted or Seized by the Child's Mother, John O'Laughlin of Kirkwood is Having His Home and the Child Guarded by Men Who Patrol the Yard With Guns. Mrs. Anna Welshimer of 603 Market Street, the Mother, Desires to Recover the Girl, As She Will Inherit Large Property From Her Grandmother, and the Woman Says She Wants the Child to Get the Money.

COL. BRYAN WILL START A PAPER

It Is to Be Called the "Commoner."

HE WILL BE OWNER AND EDITOR

PLACE OF PUBLICATION IS TO BE LINCOLN, NEB.

Mr. Bryan Says This Will Keep Him in Touch With the World and at the Same Time Permit Him to Be Near His Family.



WILLIAM J. BRYAN, EDITOR.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 15. — William J. Bryan gave out the following interview today:

"I have for several years had in contemplation the establishment of a weekly newspaper and this seems an opportune time for undertaking it. Intending to devote my life to the study and discussion of public questions, I have taken this method because it will best accomplish the purpose which I have in view. Through a paper I will be able to keep in touch with social, economic and political problems. The paper will at the same time, if successful, provide an income sufficient for my pecuniary needs and this kind of work will allow me more time with my family than I have been able to enjoy for several years past.

"I expect to lecture occasionally, especially in college towns, where I can speak to students, but my principal work will be done with the pen, or perhaps I should say, with the pencil.

"The paper will be called the Commoner and will defend the principles set forth in the Kansas City platform. I shall be publisher and editor and Lincoln will be the place of publication."

EAST SIDE BOYS IN A CAVE.

They Have Been Giving the Police Department Trouble.

Enterprising juveniles of North Third street, East St. Louis, have constructed a cave in the Air Line yards, which they persist in frequenting rather than attend school.

It is here they have been "hiking" and playing the truant unmolested for weeks.

Friday when little Johnnie Pierce, at the instigation of his mother, was taken to the station by an officer, he wept great tears of remorse.

"The cave belongs to me and Emmet Smith and Acey. Acey's he's a black boy and shoots craps, but me and Emmet don't."

Then Chief Hauss, in his characteristic fatherly way told the little boy how Jesse James and the rest of the outlaws had begun their careers by cave building and truant playing.

Johnnie wept some more and promised to be good if the chief would let him go. It was what his mother wanted, and Johnnie will be at school Monday.

The cave is a dig-out in an embankment and lined with barrel staves picked up at the dump. It has a furnace, topped off with two joints of rusted stove pipe. Tin cans serve as vessels to cook potatoes, onions and other vegetables which the boys have succeeded in procuring from home.

THE WEATHER INDICATIONS.

THREATENING.

St. Louis and vicinity—Threatening Saturday night and Sunday, with possibly showers.

Missouri—Threatening Saturday night and Sunday.

Illinois—Threatening Saturday night and Sunday, with possibly snow flurries in extreme northern portion.

WITH EUCHARIST IN HIS GRASP

Rev. Spigardi Rescued From Burning Church.

HE SAVED THE HOLY SYMBOL

PRIEST'S NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

Fire in the Italian Church, "The Lady of Our Hopes," Destroyed the Altar and Damaged the Fixtures.

Father C. Spigardi, pastor of the Italian church, "The Lady of Our Hopes," at Nineteenth and Morgan street, nearly perished while saving the eucharist from the blazing altar of the burning church Saturday morning.

Firemen found the heroic priest groping blindly in the dense smoke that filled the church, with the holy symbol clasped to his heart.

The fire originated from the candles burning on the altar. Then the draperies caught fire and the blaze ran over the great altar.

The altar was badly burned, and pictures, ornaments and statuary, worth intrinsically $600, were destroyed.

Firemen saved the building, which was damaged $1000.

But whatever monetary loss they sustained the people of the parish feel that the heroic example Father Spigardi set will compensate for all.

"Let every man put his life in God's hands," he had preached. And Saturday, they say, he demonstrated his sublime faith. His deed was not done under the influence of excitement or recklessly. He calmly weighed the danger. Then, in faith, he had stepped into the burning church.

The church was empty when the fire began. Father Spigardi was in his study when a woman, who had seen the light reflected from the window, brought the news.

His first thought of the eucharist on the altar. He ran up the steps and opened the front doors. Thick smoke drove him back. Thrice he tried to make his way up the central aisle.

Far in the front the burning altar was his guide. But so heavy was the smoke that he was driven back. Then he recollected the rear door. He might reach the altar that way. Down the front steps and around the big church, a long distance, he ran.

He burst open the rear door. A breeze from the passage blew the smoke aside and slammed the door shut. The altar, burning luridly, was the goal. Holding his handkerchief in his teeth Father Spigardi reached the altar. He caught up the eucharist and turned to retrace his steps.

He could see no open way. The smoke closed about him and blindly, hopelessly he stumbled among the pews, the eucharist held tight in both arms.

He bent close to the floor, seeking fresh air. The folds of his cassock he pulled about his head. Twice he butted into the church walls, finding no exit.

The smoke grew denser and more pungent from the burning woodens. It penetrated the cassock's folds and into the priest's nostrils. He choked and gasped. His feet could barely move and his whole body seemed crushed to the floor. He knew he was choking and he realized that death was within a finger's reach. But the hands around the symbol clutched tighter and tighter.

Suddenly a burst of light came within 10 feet. A rush of pure air followed and then the helmeted head of a fireman. Father Spigardi stumbled forward. The fireman caught and pulled him to safety. They broke the windows and crushed out the fire.

Downstairs Father Spigardi was reverently placing the eucharist in the safe when seen by the Post-Dispatch.

"I only did my duty," he said. "Every priest is willing to sacrifice his life for his faith. I went into the church resolved to save the sacrements or die. My life is a little thing compared with the preservation of that holy symbol.

"The smoke in the church was stifling. I lost my way and I was fast choking when the door was broken and I saw the pompierman coming.

"I owe my life to him. I do not think I could ever have found that closed door myself. I was choked and worn and weak. Death was near but I would risk my life again for the same reason. I was doing God's service. Why fear?"

Society of Accountants.—The St. Louis Society of Accountants and Bookkeepers will meet Monday evening, Dec. 17, at 8 o'clock, at Bowman's Hall, Eleventh and Locust streets. The program of the evening will consist of the following special features: "How to Prepare Annual Balance Sheet and Trading Statement," by L. W. Bolseller; "Jones' Loose Leaf Ledger System," by Mr. Cummings; debate on deduction of discount on vouchers.

HORSE THIEF IN FINE RAIMENT

Well-Dressed Young Man Sought by the Police.

HORSES AND BUGGIES STOLEN

HIS DEPREDATIONS WIDESPREAD AND COSTLY.

Police Believe the Man Represents a Gang and That the Stolen Animals Are Disposed of Outside the City.

A horse thief who is young, well-dressed and suave, is being sought by the police. This young man has been active recently, and many complaints have been lodged at the Four Courts because of his depredations.

Friday night the stable of W. B. Harris, at the rear of his residence, 778 Aubert avenue, was entered and a valuable horse taken. Mr. Harris did not discover his loss until Saturday morning. The stable had been locked and the thief could not have entered without using keys.

James Duffy, a liverman at 108 North Ninth street, reported the loss of a rubber-tired runabout. He received a telephone message asking if he would rent a runabout for a few hours. He replied affirmatively, and in a short while a young man appeared at the stable leading a horse already harnessed. Mr. Duffy agreed to rent the runabout, and asked the man his name. He gave the name of a saloon keeper on Market street. Duffy thought the fellow's actions were peculiar, and noted his appearance. The man was apparently 28 years old, 5 feet 11 inches tall, slender, smooth-faced, sandy hair, florid complexion. He was well-dressed in dark clothes, and he wore a brown fedora hat. He carried a light-colored overcoat on his arm, and wore patent leather shoes. Mr. Duffy said the man used good language, but appeared nervous.

A few days before, while Adam Roth, Jr.'s horse was hitched near Duffy's stable, some one unhitched the horse, and leaving the animal standing, got away with the buggy and harness.

A few days ago a man answering the same description as the man who got Duffy's buggy, drove away a horse and buggy belonging to Dr. H. C. Dalton. The doctor left his turnout standing in front of his residence at 3381 Delmar boulevard. He was in the house only a short while, but when he came out it had disappeared. The doctor made inquiries, and learned that it had been driven away by a well-dressed young man.

The police believe the horses and buggies are driven out of the city and disposed of.

JOHN ADDISON PORTER DEAD

Former Private Secretary to President McKinley, Who Has Long Been Ill.

POMFRET, Conn., Dec. 15.—John Addison Porter, former private secretary to



President McKinley, died a few minutes before 2 o'clock. Mr. Porter had been ill for a long time.

TRAMPS SEIZED TOWN

OF BRIGHTON, ILL., NEAR ALTON,

AND HELD CARNIVAL

Five Men Locked Marshal Cavanagh in the Jail, Broke Into a Bank, Set Fire to a Store and Escaped on a Hand Car, With Blood Hounds in Pursuit.

Three unidentified men, garbed as tramps, overpowered the village marshal of Brighton, Ill., shortly after midnight Saturday morning, then locked him in the tiny municipal calaboose, broke into a bank and two stores, stole $100 from one of them, caused one of the others to catch fire, fled from town on a stolen handcar and were pursued to Upper Alton by a posse of Macoupin County citizens, accompanied by bloodhounds.

A charitable, hospitable custom that has long obtained in this little settlement, 12 miles above Alton, is directly responsible for this assortment of remarkable happenings, almost unprecedented in that peaceful section of Illinois.

This custom is the furnishing of shelter over night in the village jail to tramps who wander into Brighton on cold, wintry days.

Marshal George Cavanaugh promptly agreed to turn over one of the two cells in the village jail to the three roughly dressed men who requested from him a place to sleep, shortly before midnight Friday. But, after he unlocked the door of the cell and turned to ask them to enter, he found himself looking into the business ends of three gleaming revolvers, one in the hands of each of his expected guests and the other held by two comrades, who joined the trio opportunely.

They forced him into the cell, locked the door, took his keys from him and then started on their expedition, which has caused more of a stir in Brighton than probably anything else that ever happened in the history of Macoupin County.

How the Marshal Was Captured.

Brighton is a village of about 1000 inhabitants on the Chicago & Alton and the Burlington roads, about 12 miles east of the Mississippi and near the point where Madison, Macoupin and Jersey Counties join. It is under the Illinos village organization, the town officials being a president and a board of trustees.

Outside of them the marshal is the important man of the community. After dark the marshal is the reigning power. If anything happens at night he is promptly sent for. George Cavanaugh, who holds this position in Brighton, is an athletic young man, 22 years of age, who has proved himself a valuable official on many occasions. Friday night, however, the fates were against him.

The night had pased very quietly and Cavanaugh had retired in his office, which is in a little bookstore on the main street of Brighton. William Goodell, a young lawyer about the same age, had spent the evening with Cavanaugh and had concluded to spend the night there.

About 1:30 o'clock Saturday morning, Goodell heard a rapping at the door. He listened and saw the marshal arise. Then he saw the door open and three men, apparently tramps, enter. They asked Cavanaugh to give them a place to sleep over night and he agreed to take them to the town jail.

He dressed himself, put on his overcoat and started with the three strangers for the little building down near the C. & A. depot.

Took Possession of Brighton Town.

On reaching the jail, which contains only two cells, neither of which were occupied, Cavanaugh entered, produced his keys and unlocked the iron door of one of them. Then he turned about and said:

"Here, you fellows, get in——"

But he didn't finish the sentence. He found himself looking into the muzzles of no less than five revolvers. The three men had been joined by two other individuals of equally hobo-like aspect and each of the quintet had a glinting pistol leveled at the young officer's head.

Cavanaugh did not attempt to overcome the unequal odds. He calmly gave up his keys in response to a demand from one of the strangers and allowed himself to be locked in the same cell where he expected to entertain his trio of nocturnal visitors.

Tightly fastening the door of Cavanaugh's cell and the outer portals of the jail, as well, the five men went uptowwn to the blacksmith shop of William Scheren. They were after money, not horseshoes, but they thought there might be a few implements in the Scheren establishment that would aid them in cracking a safe.

So they broke into the anvil institution and managed to locate a few crowbars and other implements they expected would prove of value later in the night.

Then they made a straight line for the bank of Blodgett Bros. They had little difficulty in forcing open the front doors and getting to the safe. One of the quintet produced a few sticks of dynamite and a few seconds later the bank was filled with smoke and powder and pieces of iron. One of the outer doors of the safe had succumbed to the charge, but still the "strong box" was not in sight.

Failed at the Bank, Succeeded at Store.

Once more the explosive was touched off and once more the air was filled with powder and bits of steel and iron. But still the inner door of the safe withstood the force of the dynamite. Then the robber gave up the job in disgust and went in search of easier prey.

Just as a memento of their visit, one of the quintet took with him a few handfuls of pennies which he found near by. All the other damage they did was to strew the floor with bank notes and other collateral which they feared they could not realize on.

At the general store of E. Butler, which they visited, they enjoyed better luck. Like his distinguished St. Louis namesake, Mr. E. Butler of Brighton is quite a wealthy man. His store is the biggest in that end of Macoupin County and he is credited with supplying the needs of all the families within a radius of eight miles around. The robbers, who evidently were acquainted with the personnel of Brighton's list of prominent citizens, figured that in the E. Butler safe there would be some money. They were not disappointed. Not only was there $100 there, but it was ensconced behind the wall of a safe which did not resist their efforts with anything like the stubbornness of the "strong box" at the Blodgett Bank.

But this $100 is not the only memento E. Butler has of the visit of this burglarious quintet. When they took the roll of bills from the safe they left behind them a lighted fuse. This fuse rolled into a quantity of coal oil that had dripped down on the floor. A few hours later there was a merry blaze in the Butler store.

Butler's Store Was Damaged by Fire.

The fire must have been fanned into a big flame very slowly, for the fire was not discovered until abut fifteen minutes before 5 'clock Saturday morning. H. A. Bloemer, proprietor of the Brighton Telephone Exchange, was the early riser who made the discovery. He was en route from his home to his place of business when he saw an unusually pinkish glare in the sky. It appeared to come from a blaze in the other end of town. He hurried in that direction and gave the alarm as soon as he saw that Butler's store was on fire.

Then, while others proceeded to extinguish the blaze, Bloemer ran for the town marshal. He was not in his office. Godell was there, however, and when Bloemer roused him from his slumbers, the lawyer said the last he saw of Cavanaugh was when he left the office to take three tramps to jail.

Godell and Bloemer then hastened to the jail, where they found, to their utter astonishment, that Cavanaugh was a prisoner. They released him at once and it did not take him long to learn that the five supposed tramps had left town on a handcar which they had stolen from the Burlington section house.

Bloodhounds on the Robbers' Trail.

Cavanaugh let other people attend to the fire while he got two young bloodhounds, owned by Julius Schmidt of Brighton, and, with Godell and a small, hastily formed posse, went in pursuit of the robbers. The bloodhounds tracked the handcar to Upper Alton, where it was found near the tracks, deserted. All trace of the five men was lost there and Cavanaugh had to be content with telephoning their description and an account of their escapades to all the surrounding towns.

When they got back to Brighton the fire was out. All of Butler's stock, valued at from $6000 to $10,000, was damaged by smoke and water and some of it destroyed. It is estimated that $2000 will cover the loss.

Cavanaugh says he will be able to identify three of the five men. Three of them, he says, are small and wore overcoats when he saw them. The other two were larger without overcoats. One of the latter wore a beard.

No trace of their movements since they left Alton has been secured by the Brighton authorities.

SNIPING.

I dreamed a dream which was not all a dream
(Part of it was a pipe):
Methought I sat beside a sylvan stream,
Holding the bag for snipe;
Those hefty jokers who conceived the joke
Went home and got to bed,
While I, ten miles from town, dead tired, dead broke,
And otherwise most dead,
Sat there and smoked my oldest corncob pipe
And held that bag for snipe.

Effsoons I slept, and while in sleep profound
There came an ancient hag,
By golden nuggets bended to the ground,
And in that snipeless bag
She poured a wealth of treasure such as I
Had dreamed not of before;
And, as she vanished, said: "Fair youth, good-by!
'Tis thine—go broke no more."
Then I awoke to find this dream was piped,
And twice I had been sniped.

H. L.

But there is no sniping in store for the reader of the next Sunday Post-Dispatch. When opened, the bag will be found to contain pure gold. Some of the king nuggets are:

A character study of "Firebug Johnson," the noted convict whom Gov. Stephens pardoned conditionally a few days ago. This man served longer than any other prisoner in the Missouri penitentiary. He spent more time in solitary confinement than any convict in the history of the United States. These facts are in themselves remarkable, but facts still more remarkable will be told by the writer of this character study. The story will interest poets and philosophers, as well as people of common sense.

Another king nugget—or rather a queen—is the story of an American girl who is to be social ruler at Kaiser Wilhelm's court. Miss Maud Ledyard of Detroit married Baron von Ketteler, who was murdered by the Chinese last summer. The bereaved widow returns to Germany to be mistress of the Empress' wardrobe—a post of almost regal magnificence. The American girl, verily, is big potatoes and plenty in a bunch.

Nevertheless, there is a body of brave young students at the Missouri State University whose eating expenses are but $1.25 a week per man, and they laugh and grow fat while digging for cube roots and chasing trigonometric troubles through the classrooms. The Sunday Post-Dispatch will tell how the students' boarding club cuts down individual expenses by a community plan. It is an interesting story, and it ought to inspire more young men to attend college and learn to be something higher and nobler than an Olive street rubberneck.

The biggest inland yachting club afloat is the Illini, with clubhouse and other plant fixtures at Clifton Terrace, Ill. Several of the members are St. Louisans. They have river yachts with speed that makes records. Pictures and descriptive matter in the Sunday Post-Dispatch will serve to introduce you to a home yachting organization.

Did you ever see the sea
Serpent gambol on the lea,
Leap his tail
Like a flail,
Wriggle, wiggle, fancy free?

Mildred Holland's new play, founded on a Schiller classic, is reviewed at length, with extracts from the lines, in the Sunday Post-Dispatch. Besides many other precious bits there are the halftone pictures of beautiful girls:

PRETTY ST. LOUIS GIRLS.
Miss Alice Johnson, 5711 Bartmer avenue.
Miss Olga Beatrice Bredemeyer, 2900 Russell avenue.
Miss Emma Hoppe, 2000 Franklin avenue.
Miss Ida Louise Baker, 6048 West Cabanne place.
Miss Marie Kauffman, 3402 Bell avenue.
Miss Carrie Taylor, 4220 Washington boulevard.
Miss Ida Schnitz, 214 South Garrison avenue.
Mrs. W. E. Berger, 5814 Bartmer avenue.
CHARMING GIRLS FROM ELSEWHERE.
Miss Lena Lea, Vicksburg, Miss.
Mrs. Estelle Nance Weatherford, Paducah, Ky.
Miss Jennie Lea, Vicksburg, Miss.
Miss Anne Louise Green, Columbus, Miss.
Miss Ellen Tucker, Columbus, Miss.
Mrs. William F. Allen, Omaha, Neb.
Miss Birdie Haines, Tamora, Ill.
Miss Bettie Donaldson, Springfield, Mo.
Mrs. J. E. Baum, Omaha, Neb.
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Miss Annie Ebel, 2908 North Twelfth street.
Miss Adenia Frankenlig, 2719 La Salle street.
Miss Sophie Ebel, 2908 North Twelfth street.
Miss Gussie Schoch, 1321 Montgomery street.
Miss Clara Cordes, 1321 Montgomery street.
Miss Katie Spatz, 2324 St. Louis avenue, East St. Louis.



Chicago, Ill., March 30, 1900.

WARNER'S SAFE CURE CO., Rochester, N. Y.

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NEW KIND OF COMPANY

BOX FACTORY FORMED ON CO-OPERATIVE PRINCIPLES.

BY MEANS OF P.-D. WANTS

Ten Stockholders Gathered Together and All Have Good Employment Upon Small Investments.

Through the medium of the Post-Dispatch want column a co-operative box factory has been formed in which every stockholder has equal privileges and receives equal remuneration for his labor.

The Southern Box Manufacturing Co., 2117 South Second street, is a firm constructed on socialistic principles, every member of the organization being responsible for the successful carrying on of the enterprise.

W. M. Ware and J. M. Humphrey were the originators of this scheme and are the only office holders in the organization. They were elected to their positions by the vote of the stockholders.

When this enterprise was originated Mr. Ware and Mr. Humphrey advertised for good workmen who had small savings which they wished to invest. In this way eight men were found. They are M. F. and J. L. McFarland, Isaac Graham, A. H. Daniel, J. M. Kirk, G. W. McIntosh, T. E. Brown and Andrew Wanger.

The joint amount contributed by the ten who formed the company was $200.

At a meeting of the stockholders W. M. Ware was chosen as mill superintendent and J. M. Humphrey as secretary.

According to the idea of the company "all men are to be free and equal," consequently neither Mr. Ware nor Mr. Humphrey has any authority outside of his official position.

The men will be assigned their work by Mr. Ware, and Mr. Humphrey will pay their salaries and mark their time. At any time a vote of the stockholders can displace these officers and new ones can be elected.

A maximum salary has been decided upon, which is $2.50 per day. This can be lowered according to the business the firm is securing, but at no time can it be increased beyond that limit.

Besides the regular salary the employes of the organization receive they will also get a percentage of the net receipts of the company.

In the forming of the company no member was allowed to invest more than $500 or less than $200, and his percentage of the profits of the company will be regulated according to the amount he invested.

When a member of the co-operative firm wishes to withdraw his capital the company reserves the right of buying his stock or allowing the member to sell it to some one else. This virtually limits the membership of the organization and prevents the gathering together of a bad class of workmen.

At present the membership of the organization is full. The other men who will necessarily have to be employed to carry on the work will be regularly paid by the day and will have no interest in the partitioning of the net profits of the company.

The men are expected to be sober and industrious and no others need apply. Though the members of the firm are not forbidden to drink, they must not appear on the premises of the company under the influence of liquor.

The site of the Southern Box Manufacturing Co. is that, until July, occupied by the Koerner, Buder & Borrowman Lumber Co. The new company has reserved the right, in leasing this property, after five years to buy it.

NEXT W. C. T. U. CONVENTION

It Will Be Held at Fort Worth, Tex., If Satisfactory Railroad Rates Can Be Secured.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The next convention of the National W. C. T. U. will be held in Fort Worth, Tex., if suitable railroad accommodations can be obtained. This was decided last night by the national officers of the organization, who are staying at Rest Cottage, Evanston. It was also decided to inaugurate a movement to have Sept. 28, Frances Willard's birthday, observed in the public schools of the country by having an hour set apart for reading, concerning the life and work of Miss Willard.

Miss Anna Gordon, national vice-president, and Mrs. Susanna Frye, national secretary, were appointed a committee to make arrangements for the starting of an institution for the training of W. C. T. U. workers. The institution will be located in Northfield if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

Mrs. Minnie B. Horning of Evanston was re-elected press agent of the national organization and also office secretary.

Dance at Masonic Hall.—The American Waiters' Union will give a dance this Saturday evening at Masonic Hall, Seventh and Market streets—not Harmonie Hall, as was erroneously stated.

Splendidly Equipped

Trains to Nashville, Chattanooga and Atlanta, via Illinois Central, leave St. Louis 8:26 a. m. and 5:44 p. m. daily.

TO PUNISH HIS WIFE

JAMES ARMOUR TRAVELS FROM CLEVELAND TO ST. LOUIS.

CAUSED HER ARREST SATURDAY

On Account of Her Conduct Her Father Committed Suicide and Her Son Shot Her Admirer.

James Armour of Cleveland, O., swore out a warrant Saturday morning charging his wife, Mrs. Sarah Armour, and Ernest Johnson, a conductor on the California avenue division of the transit company, with an offense against the marriage law.

Armour, who is about 45 years of age, well-dressed and apparently a man of education, has been in St. Louis since Tuesday endeavoring to locate his wife. He is superintendent of bridges for the Erie road at Cleveland.

Armour brought with him to St. Louis a letter of introduction to Chief Campbell from the chief of police of Cleveland. On the strength of this, Detective Richard Joyce was detailed to aid Armour and as a result of Joyce's efforts, Mr. Armour applied for and secured a warrant from Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Johnson.

Armour says that his wife is about 45 years of age and that her maiden name was Sarah Burns. Her father, who was a well-to-do farmer near Montreal, Canada, committed suicide by drowning, Armour says, when he heard that Mrs. Armour had left Cleveland in company with Johnson.

Armour says his wife first met Johnson while a passenger on his car and that their acquaintance soon became so intimate that when his (Armour's) son heard of it, he shot Johnson. For this he was not prosecuted. Last July 24, Johnson left Cleveland, having lost his place as a motorman on a Cleveland electric road.

Armour says his wife went with Johnson and the time and that ever since he has been trying to locate them. He learned they were in St. Louis, he said, through a letter Johnson wrote to Cleveland.

TO CALIFORNIA.

Personally Conducted Excursions.

The Burlington's personally conducted through tourist sleeper excurisons leave St. Louis every Wednesday at 9 p. m. for California. The route is via Denver, Colorado Springs, Royal Gorge, Glenwood Springs, Salt Lake City—the finest scenic spots of America.

Secure tickets and descriptive matter at Ticket Office, southwest corner Broadway and Olive street.

Stabbed With a Pitchfork.—John Mollenbeck, 1718 South Tenth street, is charged, in a warrant issued Saturday, with assault and battery. Complaint was made by William Ruckert, 1217 Calhoun street, who says Mollenbeck stabbed him with a pitchfork at Twelfth and Allen avenue Friday.

Sermon to Credit Men.—Rev. John W. Day, pastor of the Church of the Messiah, Garrison avenue and Locust street, will preach a special sermon at 11 a. m. tomorrow to the credit men of this city.

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Cures Mrs. Campbell of

CATARRH AND ASTHMA

Had Suffered Thirty Years.

JAMAICA PLAIN, MASS., April 14.

Dear Sir—I have had catarrh for over thirty years and it finally developed into bronchial trouble and asthma. I have tried every remedy that has been recommended, but failed to get much relief until I used HYOMEI. For the past eight months I have not had one bad attack, and only one bad cold which I broke up by the use of the Inhaler. MRS. B. A. CAMPBELL,
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MARTIN'S CASE WILL GO OVER

Deputy Supply Commissioner Granted Injunction.

IT IS RETURNABLE JAN. 7, 1901

HIS TRIAL, SET FOR NEXT TUESDAY, THEREBY POSTPONED.

Martin, Accused of Misconduct in Office, Claims the City Council Has No Right to Try Him and Will Fight.

George H. Martin, deputy supply commissioner, procured from Judge P. R. Flitcraft of the Circuit Court Saturday an alternative writ, prohibiting the City Council from trying him next Tuesday on the charges of misconduct in office made against him by the investigating committee, composed of Councilmen Wiggins, Hodges, Kratz, Meysenberg and Hoffmann.

The writ is made returnable Jan. 7, 1901, and in the meantime the Council is restrained from taking any action whatever on the charges or from interfering with the defendant in the discharge of his official duties.

All the members of the Council are made parties defendant. Martin is represented in the proceeding by Leverett Bell, who was for many years city counsellor.

Four specific reasons are given in support of the prayer for a writ of prohibition, being the following:

First, that the council has no authority under the charter to try the petitioner for misconduct in office.

Second, that it has no authority to remove him, even if it should return a verdict against him.

Third, that there is nothing in the law of the land that permits the council to become both accuser and judge as, it is alleged, it proposes to do in the petitioner's case.

And, fourth, that the charges against the petitioner are not of a character that indicate sufficient wrongdoing to justify his removal from office.

The petitioner alleges that he was appointed to his office in 1899 and that he is entitled to hold it until 1903, a period of four years. He avers that it is recognized by the charter and that the council has no jurisdiction over it.

The history of the proceedings which terminated in the report of the committee adverse to Martin is set forth in full from the introduction of the resolution calling for the appointment of the investigating committee, June 29, 1900, to the final report of the committee, Dec. 7 last, and the decision of the Council to try the petitioner Dec. 18.

The petitioner avers that he is informed that the Council intends to depose him from office and that he will suffer irreparable injury unless the court shall perpetually restrain the Council's proposed action.

The term of Judge Flitcraft, who issued the alternative writ, will expire Jan. 1, and the return will be made before Judge Spencer, who has been assigned to Judge Flitcraft's room.

The charge made against Martin by the investigating committee of the Council is that he demanded to be allowed a certain per cent on certain purchases alleged to have been made from a Washington avenue wholesale house, the said purchases being for city institutions.

MEIER GONE FISHING

SUPPLY COMMISSIONER'S TRIAL SET FOR JAN. 4.

DEPUTY TO BE TRIED FIRST

Resolution Introduced in Council Directing Departments to Make Monthly Requisitions.

Because of the absence of Supply Commissioner Fred C. Meier from the city for the past two days and the consequent failure of the sergeant-at-arms of the Council to serve him with the notice of his trial before that body, municipal investigation which was commenced last February will be continued into the new century.

Jan. 4, 1901, was fixed by the Council Friday as the date for Mr. Meier's trial before the Council on the charge of neglect of official duty, preferred one week ago. The trial of Deputy Commissioner George H. Martin will take place next Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 18, commencing at 3 o'clock, as already announced.

Supply Commissioner Meier left the city Wednesday evening for Hematite, Mo., in company with Fred Ziegenhein, William H. Hahn and Julius Wurzburger for a two days' hunting and fishing trip. He is expected to return Saturday.

Different dates were discussed by the councilmen when it was learned that service had not been secured on the supply commissioner, and it was decided, in view of the usual practice of taking a holiday recess, to put off the trial of Meier until the new year.

As the result of the investigations of the Meier committee a resolution was introduced into the Council Friday calling upon the heads of the various municipal departments to make requisitions for supplies only once a month, as required by the charter. The observance of this provision, it is believed, will bring most supplies under the system of competitive bids and will save money to the city.

DEATH WON--STARTLING RACE

Ambulance Couldn't Get the Mangled Body of Frank Lowrie to the Hospital Before Death.

Kurrus' ambulance made a race against death in East St. Louis Friday afternoon and death won.

The foam-flecked horses, galloping like mad through the crowded throughfare, caused pedestrians to look on in amazement. Such speed had never before been seen in the city.

When Charlie Kurrus and his assistants gently lifted the mangled body of Frank Lowrie into the vehicle at the C. B. & Q. yards the dying man breathed the words, "St. Mary's Hospital."

The distance was more than a mile and a half. The horses were given free rein and urged to renewed speed by a lash at every jump.

Bert Lowrie died at the hospital gate and death had won the race.

The body was returned to Kurrus' undertaking establishment, where an inquest was held Acting Coroner G. A. Boyne. The verdict was "accidental death."

Lowrie was mangled while inspecting cars in the C. B. & Q. yards. He had been in the company's employ 30 years and was considered one of the most experienced men in the service.

The remains were taken to Venice and will be interred Sunday. A large delegation of East St. Louis railroad men will attend the funeral.

MERAMEC WATER PLAN REJECTED

Unanimous Vote of the Board Against It.

CITY WOULD GAIN NOTHING

DECISION BASED ON THREE CONSIDERATIONS.

Quantity, Cost and Healthfulness, the Board Say, Show No Special Advantage in Favor of the Proposed Change

At a special meeting of the board of public improvements, held at noon Saturday, the Meramec Spring water supply proposition was rejected by a unanimous vote, all the members of the board being present.

The report of the water department committee, which was adopted, has been in preparation for two months past and was revised and made more comprehensive during the past three weeks, since a special hearing of the engineers and business representatives of the project was held.

The committee's objections to the plan to change the source of the city's water supply to the headwaters of the Meramec river were based on considerations of quantity, cost and healthfulness. In all these respects the committee stated that the city would gain nothing by the acceptance of the proposition.

The part of the report which related to quantity stated that the Meramec spring and river do not contain enough water to supply the future needs of the city, although they would meet the ordinary demands of present consumption. The only way in which a daily demand of 150,000,000 gallons or more, which is estimated as the need of the city in thenear future, could be met would be by the impounding of water in the reservoirs.

In the section relating to cost, figures were furnished to show that the water supply of the city from the present source, including the cost of erecting and maintaining a filtration plant at the Chain of Rocks, will be $761,132 per year, while the annual cost of furnishing unfiltered water from the Meramec spring and river under the proposed system would be $1,036,600. The cost of filtered Mississippi water, the committee estimated, would be $23.96 per 1,000,000 gallons, while the cost of unfiltered Meramec water would be $9.09 per 1,000,000 gallons, according to the statements furnished by the promoters of the Meramec plan.

Analyses of the Meramec water has been made, it was stated, which showed that the water of the spring contained 5600 bacteria to the cubic centimeter. The effect of heavy rains on the spring was also mentioned, and it was stated that unfiltered Meramec water, considering the pollution to which it would be exposed by impounding in storage reservoirs and transmission in pipes to the city, would not be greatly preferable to unfiltered Mississippi water. Comparisons of the typhoid death rate of St. Louis with that of New York and other cities, which have distant sources of water supply, were shown, and it was stated that the water of the Meramec would not be found superior to that of the Croton reservoir.

In concluding its report the committee urged strongly against the adoption of any plan which would take the control of the water supply out of the hands of the city.

HONORS PAID A ST. LOUISAN

W. S. Eames Elected Second Vice-President of the American Institute of Architects.

W. S. Eames of St. Louis was elected to the office of second vice-president of the American Institute of Architects at the convention held by that organization in Washington Friday. Mr. Eames is well-known in local architectural circles. He is the senior member of the firm of Eames & Young, architects, and resides at 3334 Washington avenue.

Mr. Eames was the only St. Louisan to be chosen an officer at the convention, although several were in attendance, among them Mr. Young. The meeting adjourned until 1901, when the members will assemble again at Buffalo.

Excursion Sleeping Cars

TO LOS ANGELES AND SAN FRANCISCO. Leave St. Louis on "Katy Flyer" (Ar. K. & T. Ry.), 8:16 p. m. every Tuesday via San Antonio.

See "Katy's" Agent.

LOSING HIS WAGES AT POKER.

Mrs. Fannie Schimmel Caused the Police to Make a Raid.

A middle-aged woman, thinly clad and carrying a wee baby in her arms, hurried to the Carr street station Friday night, and with tears streaming down her cheeks implored the desk sergeant to send an officer at once to 835 North Eighth street.

"My husband is there," she said, "and he is losing all his wages. We need the money, and because of his gambling it all away we have had no supper tonight."

For some time past Mrs. Fannie Schimmel, who lives at 718 Wash street, stated her husband, Louis Schimmel, had played poker at the address given and that on Thursday night he lost $35.

She added that she did not want him arrested, but simply kept out of the game.

Policemen Delaney and Bunting were detailed to raid the place, and they captured besides Schimmel four others, who gave their names and addresses as follows: Sam Capen, 904 North Seventh street; Sam Drebin, 1103 Morgan street; Sam Friedman, 1014 Atchison place, and Louis Goldfelder, 1217 North Eleventh street.

Several packs of cards and a box of poker chips were confiscated.

The cases were docketed for trial in the Dayton street police court Saturday morning and Mrs. Schimmel was on hand to testify.

At the request of the proprietor of the saloon where the game was in progress a continuance was granted to Dec. 21.

Morning and Evening

Trains to Nashville, Chattanooga and Atlanta every day in the year via the Illinois Central.

Rev. Fannon May Remain.—Rev. F. O. Fannon, pastor of the First Christian Church, at Locust and Cardinal avenue, who tendered his resignation recently, mainly on account of the financial conditions in the church, may retain the pastorate another year. Mr. W. H. McClain, a member of the congregation, states that the church has raised enough money to guarantee the pastor's salary for a year and that Mr. Fannon will likely remain.

JAMES O'DAY IS GUILTY.

Man Who Stole Dillman's Buggy Goes to the Penitentiary.

James O'Day pleaded guilty Saturday in Judge Wood's court to the theft of a horse, buggy and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. On Nov. 3 O'Day drove into the city with George Dillman in the latter's buggy. Dillman resided at 19,650 Columbia Bottom Road, near the city waterworks at the Chain of Rocks, where he is employed as screen keeper. He went into a store, leaving the horse and vehicle in O'Day's care. This person, who was a stranger and whom Dillman had picked up on the way into town, drove off. He was arrested several days later at Farmington, Mo., by Sheriff Highly, who had read the thief's description in the Post-Dispatch.

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ANNOUNCEMENT!

To popularize our Art Balcony and Basement Salesrooms—to make the people of St. Louis acquainted with the exquisite beauty of the Bronze and Marble Statuary, Porcelain Paintings, Imported China Dinner, Fish and Game Sets, Jardinieres, Fern Dishes, etc.—we have decided to offer a discount of

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And all goods in our Art Balcony and Basement Salesroom, excepting Hall Clocks, which are already so low in price that we cannot make further reductions.

This DISCOUNT SALE Will Continue Till Xmas.

MERMOD & JACCARD Jewelry Co., BROADWAY, COR. LOCUST ST.

Write for Catalogue, 3500 Engs., Mailed Free.

"ELLENWOOD" BURNED

THOMAS K. SKINKER'S HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE.

AN OLD MANSION GONE

Beautiful Country Home, 57 Years Old, Caught Fire as Guests Were Assembling for a Dinner Party.

Just as the invited guests of Mrs. Thomas K. Skinker were about to sit down to dinner in the dining room of the family home, Ellenwood, on the Skinker road, a fire broke out in the upper story of the building. The interrupted diners turned to and saved as much of the personal property as was possible, but the house was destroyed before any effective resistance to the flames could be offered by the fire department.

The loss is a heavy one, $50,000 being the estimated damage to the house and the valuable collection of paintings owned by Mr. Skinker.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eaton, one of the invited couples, discovered the fire about 7 o'clock as they were approaching the residence. While they were walking up the hill from the Forest Park and Clayton Railway, they observed a small blaze in the third story.

They hastened to the house and startled the guests, who were just adjourning to the dining room, with a cry of fire. The party, among whom were Thomas Galt, Miss Rena Galt, J. Allen Wheat, Mrs. Skinker and her four children, at once set about saving such of the valuables as were movable, but were able to remove only a small amount.

Three alarms of fire were turned in, three engine and two truck companies responding. Before these could arrive, however, the entire house was ablaze, and little could be done by them.

The fire is said to have originated in a defective flue.

Mr. Skinker himself was not at home. He was working at the law library and was notified by telephone, but it was late before he could arrive at the scene of the conflagration. He was anxious about a manuscript upon which he has been working for several years, but was needlessly alarmed, as it was one of the few things saved from the flames. A small amount of silver and cut-glass ware, and a few articles of furniture were also rescued.

The house, a three-story brick, was located exactly on the county line. For 57 years it had been a landmark. Some years ago it was remodeled and its estimated value was $20,000. Mr. Skinker was unable to estimate his loss. The property was insured, he said, but did not remember the precise amount carried.

Collided With a Car.—A moving wagon driven by John Laundeuer from Topeka, Kan., collied with a car at Eighth and Franklin avenue Friday and Laundeuer was thrown out and bruised about the head.



Rich and Soft as Cream is

Hunter Whiskey

It is pure from the beginning and in 10 years becomes the finest type of whiskey made.

DAVID NICHOLSON, Ft. Louis, Mo.

HOUSE FAILED TO ACT

STREET COMMISSIONER'S TRANSFER BILL NOT TOUCHED.

EMPLOYES OPPOSED TO IT

Mr. Varrelmann Had Already Begun Applying the $8500 and Is Now a Trifle Embarrassed.

The House of Delegates failed to take action at its session Friday night on Street Commissioner Varrelmann's bill for the transfer of $8500 from the salary fund of the street department to street cleaning purposes.

Measures which were sent to the House at the same time as the Varrelmann bill were passed at Friday night's session, and Mr. Varrelmann, who had received assurance from members that the bill would be promptly passed, is much puzzled over the delay which the bill has encountered.

Mr. Varrelmann said Saturday that an employe of the street department had been told by Delegate Hartman, chairman of the ways and means committee of the house, that the bill would be reported favorably by the committee and passed by the House Friday night. He was accordingly surprised to learn that no reference to the bill had been made at the meeting and that it still remained in the committee box.

The bill making supplementary appropriations for the city institutions, which was sent to the house from the council at the same time with the Varrelmann bill, was favorably reported by the ways and means committee Friday night and passed by the house.

Strong influences have been at work against the Varelmann bill since its introduction into the council. While the measure authorizes the street commissioner merely to lay off his force of inspectors one-half at a time from Dec. 1 to April 1, it has been announced by the city counselor that those who are suspended in this manner will have to be formally reappointed and confirmed by the mayor before they can be reinstated on the city payrolls. This has caused apprehension among those whom it was proposed to lay off and the opposition to the bill on the part of the street department employes and their friends has been spirited.

Mr. Varrelmann, anticipating the passage of the bill, has laid off one-half of the members of his force and has commenced to apply to the work of street sweeping a part of the $8500 which he planned to save by his cut in the salary fund. If the bill is allowed to die in the house committee he will be left in an unpleasant predicament.

HE DOUBTS THEIR GUILT.

Chief Desmond Believes Stein, Thomas and Behr Are Honest.

Chief of Detectives Desmond is not inclined to believe in the guilt of John Stein, Michael Thomas and Charles Behr, who were arrested Friday at Broadway and Osceola street by Detectives McGrath, Ziegler and Brady, on information from Kansas City that they are suspected of highway robbery.

A. F. Wyman, cashier of the Peet Bros. Cotton Seed Co., was robbed of $800 last Saturday in the offices of the concern in Kansas City, as he was preparing to pay off a portion of the employes. Three men entered the place and leveled pistols at his head. They got the money. Stein had been discharged Friday and his two companions quit with him. Chief Desmond says that the men tell a convincing story of their departure from Kansas City.

UNDER A SHERIFF'S GUARD.

Benjamin Timmer Will Attend Funeral of His Suicide Sister.

Under guard of Deputy Sheriff Wasser, Benjamin Timmer will attend the funeral of his sister, Miss Annie Timmer, at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon from the family residence, 2205 North Market street.

Timmer, who is only 19, is in jail on a warrant charging him with petit larceny.

He was arrested last Tuesday, and his sister committed suicide Thursday night, unable to bear the disgrace of her brother's imprisonment. Timmer is married. His wife called on him at the Four Courts Saturday morning and arranged to go with him in a carriage to the funeral.

Threw Cups at Her.—Mrs. Bertha Mielke, proprietress of a restaurant at 1226 Market street, swore out a warrant Saturday charging Steven Callan, proprietor of a lunch stand at Sixth and Market streets, with assault and battery. Mrs. Mielke stated that Callan came into her place early Saturday morning and threw cups and saucers at her.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup fo Children teething softens the gum and allays all pain. 25c.

DEATHS.

DORSEY—On Friday, Dec. 14, 1900, at 9:30 p. m., our dear darling, Robbie Francis Dorsey, aged 6 years.
Funeral from family residence, 4510 Rutger street, on Sunday, Dec. 16, at 2 p. m., to Calvary Cemetery. Funeral private.

FANNING—Hanora Fanning (nee Kennedy), relict of the late Lawrence Fanning, and our dear mother, entered into rest Friday, Dec. 14, at 12 o'clock noon.
Funeral from family residence, 2549 St. Louis avenue, Monday, Dec. 17, at 8:30 o'clock, to Sacred Heart Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends respectfully invited to attend. Please omit flowers.
Syracuse (N. Y.) and San Francisco papers please copy.

FLEMING—Cecilia Fleming, beloved wife of John Fleming, and mother of Mary Fleming, aged 70 years, died at 11:20 a. m.
Due notice of funeral will be given.

JENKINS—At Kirkwood, Mo., Dec. 14, 1900, Clarence Trumbull Jenkins.
Notice of funeral in morning papers.

KOESTRING—Edward Jackson Koestring, darling son of Edward and Agnes Koestring, Friday, the 14th of Dec., 1900, at 6 o'clock p. m., age 23 months.
Funeral Sunday, 16th inst., at 3 o'clock p. m., from 2655 California avenue.

MOLONY—On Thursday, Dec. 13, at St. John's Hospital, at 5:15 p. m., William Molony, (5 years of age, father of William, Harry P. and James B. Molony.
Funeral from residence of his son, 1610 North Jefferson avenue, on Sunday, Dec. 16, at 2 p. m., to St. Leo's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery.

PROSKAUER—Adolph Proskauer, beloved husband of Julia Proskauer (nee Koch), and our dear father, on Dec. 13, at 4:25 p. m., aged 62 years, 1 month, 2 days.
Funeral from residence, 4428 West Belle place, Sunday, Dec. 16, at 2 p. m.
Mobile (Ala.) papers please copy.

HE DISTRUSTED ALL BANKS

So John Harmon Withdrew His $1250 and Started Home, but Pickpockets Relieved Him on the Way.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—John Harmon never did have much faith in banks. He has less in mankind in general today. Harmon worked hard and saved money. He didn't much trust banks, but 4 per cent interest was alluring, so he placed $1250 in the Harlem Savings Bank. Recently a run began on that bank. It was solid and had lots of ready cash and the run collapsed.

Harmon didn't hear of the run until yesterday, and then he hurried to get his money. It was counted out to him, but before he could get from the bank door to the "L" station, a block away, pickpockets had stolen every penny of it.

FOR A COLD IN THE HEAD
Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets.

A Queer Kind of Payment.

From the Buffalo Courier.

On what possible theory of our government can Turkey be acting when it supposes that the payment of an exorbitant price to the Cramps for a new cruiser will pay the Armenian indemnity claim of the United States? Who authorized the Cramps to receive the indemnity and how are they obliged to pay it into the treasury?

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on each box. Price 25 cents.

Fell From a Wagon.—Herman Bummell of 2009 Destrehan street, 18 years old, fell from a furniture wagon at Twenty-second and Warren streets Friday and sustained a broken rib and contusions.

"Worth Its Weight In Gold"

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Preparations for the Great Enterprise in Course of Completion and Post-Dispatch Readers Are Requested to Contribute as Speedily as Possible.



ONE OF THE LITTLE ONES THE FUND WILL MAKE GLAD.

Dear Editor—I am sending 10 cents to help buy Christmas presents for the poor little children of St. Louis. I expect Santa Claus to visit me and bring me a gun. I think that by giving 10 cents to the poor I will be rewarded by my papa (who is a soldier in the Thirty-second Volunteer Infantry in the Philippines) coming home soon.
JOSEPH CHRISTOPHER HANSON,
7102 Minnesota avenue.

A wonderful dream was that of Baby Hanson Friday night. It all came of a talk he had with his mamma before she tucked him away in his little white bed.

He was sitting by the fire and was just beginning to nod when his mamma drew her chair up close to his and said:

"Now, precious, if you'll sit right still, I'll tell you all about how the poor little boys and girls are going to see Santa Claus this year."

Joseph's eyes danced in the firelight. He wasn't sleepy any more. Mamma told him all about the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund and how little boys and girls all over St. Louis were collecting money to make the poor happy.

"And won't Santa Claus go to everybody's house, just like he comes here?" asked Joseph.

"No, indeed," said mamma. "Santa will not remember the poor children unless the other boys and girls tell him he just has to."

"And what will the other boys and girls get for making Santa Claus remember the poor?" asked Joseph.

"Oh, they will get ever so many good things," said mamma. "Santa Claus will never refuse to do anything they ask."

Joseph was silent for a long time and then he asked:

"If I give something for the poor, do you think Santa Claus will know it?"

"Yes, precious," said mamma. "The Post-Dispatch will be sure to tell him."

"And will he give me anything I ask?"

"Mamma thinks he will."

When little Joseph went to bed he knew all about the Christmas festival. And here is what happened to him.

He rode and rode on a trolley car until he was dizzy from going around corners. At last the car stopped, and the conductor shouted: "All out for the Coliseum." Everybody got out and Joseph followed the crowd.

He came to a big door where a giant was standing. The giant frowned and caught him by the arm. "You can't come in here," said the monster.

"Yes, I can," said Joseph, stamping his little foot. "Just send Santa Claus out here."

The giant, who wore a blue suit with brass buttons, trembled with fright. "Of course if you are a friend of Santa Claus it's different," he replied. "Walk right in."

When Joseph got inside and saw the big arena it was nearly ten minutes before he caught his breath.

There were more people there than he had ever seen before. And everybody was looking at the biggest Christmas tree; such a big one that it nearly touched the roof. And it was filled with good things, too.

All the children were running toward the other end of the hall and Joseph followed them. He climbed up on a big boy's back and what do you think he saw? Santa Claus was up there on the stage. Poor little boys and girls were passing in front of him and he was giving them clothes and toys and candies and they were all happy.

Joseph was trying to press closer when the big giant ran towards him with a big club in his hand. He was just about to hit Joseph when a man jumped in the arena. He was such a wonderful man. He was bigger than the giant. And he had a blue coat with great big gold things on the shoulders. When the giant saw the man he got red in the face and said: "O, excuse me, general."

Joseph looked right at the wonderful man and what do you think? It was his papa.

When Joseph was being dressed next morning he was still feeling blue because all these things were only a dream.

"Mamma," he said, "if I give some money to the Post-Dispatch for the poor, don't you think Santa might let papa come home from the Philippines soon?"

The reply was not in words.

Joseph took a dime from his little bank and sent it to the Post-Dispatch with the letter quoted.

His childish heart has been infused with charity through the Christmas festival fund.

It is not worth while?

A Dollar From Their Bank.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
This is a dollar from our bank from three little boys who love a good dinner.
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To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
Inclosed please find 50 cents. I would love to do more, but I am getting up a box for 3 poor little children that live in an alley.
OKALLAH GERRANS, age 10 years,
3935 Castleman avenue.

Three Country Children.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
We are three little country children and we would like to help the poor little children in the big city, so we send 10 cents apiece to make some little heart glad on Christmas day.
FREDDIE MANNING,
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OLLIE MANNING,
Bissell P. O., St. Louis County, Mo.

A Belleville Contribution.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
Each of us send you 25 cents to help make some little children happy on Christmas day.
Santa Claus is always good to us, and we hope that every little girl and boy will be remembered. Your little friends,
WALTER AND LORAINE MORRIS.
Belleville, Ill.

From Two Little Friends.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
Inclosed please find 50 cents (50 cts.) for the Christmas Fund. Wishing the little ones all a very Happy Christmas, we are your little friends,
NELLIE AND WILLIE WIEDNER.
1554 California avenue, City.

"Success to the Festival."

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
Inclosed please find my check to help along the Christmas festival. May your efforts in behalf of those who have no one to provide for them meet with the success it deserves. Yours truly,
V. O. SAUNDERS.

Tuxedo Boy Collects 80 Cents.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
Please find inclosed 87 cents, which I collected from the neighbors for the Christmas Fund. I am 8 years old. I hope this will help to make some poor child happy.
ARTHUR HOLDSWORTH,
Tuxedo Park, Mo.

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Anna Grace Saunders	25
L. B.	50
W. and E. B.	50
Post-Dispatch Reader	10
Glnnochio Bros.	30
P. M. Kiely	5 00
Cash	5 00
Coony's Cafe	5 00
Genevieve Berktold	1 25
Benjamin and Baby	10
Ruth Stansbury	1 25
Harry Fischer	50
Miss M. Fisher	25
Pianola Dept. Bolman Bros.	25
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Office Boys Lincoln Trust building	05
Roland Harry Seeman	08
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Aubrey L. Weeks	50
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N. E. F. Pollock	25
Kittie Frederickson	5 00
Earl Buscher	20
Harry Meek	50
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Cash	10
Yeckel & Reinhardt	50
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Georgie Beck	10
George Murphy	10
Joe Zharthe	10
Harry McGee	10
Ruth Beck	10
Ethel Wehrenbrecht	10
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H. Griesbach	1 25
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Harry, Will and Robert Donovan	10
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C. Canillon	25
S. Y.	50
Mrs. A.	25
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Allan Noonan	50
E. S. K.	1 00
Cash	2 50
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Gregon Williams	10
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POST-DISPATCH Christmas Festival for the Poor OF ST. LOUIS.

THE PURPOSE of this fund is to supply the destitute of this city, young and old, with a Christmas feast and clothing, fuel, toys—EVERYTHING that will contribute to their necessities, comfort and happiness. Due acknowledgment of all contributions will be made through the POST-DISPATCH.

Name.	Amount.	Name.	Amount.

Write in name and amount and mail to The Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund.

ST. LOUISANS BANQUET
THE HOOSIER POET,
JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY

Delightful Little Addresses Made by Well-Known Members and Guests of the Indiana Society.



JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY.

James Whitcomb Riley met the members of the Indiana Society around the banquet table at the Planters' Hotel Friday night and recited selections from his best known works, to the delight of a company of St. Louis citizens who formerly lived in the Hoosier state.

Judge Daniel D. Fisher was the first speaker called on by Toastmaster S. J. Fisher. Mr. Riley then recited his poem, "Down at the Capital." J. H. Carter read an original poem and talks by Jesse A. McDonald, Joseph A. Wright, Harry B. Wandell and Rev. M. C. Williams followed.

Those present at the banquet were:

Messrs.—	Messrs.—
Bolin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles D.	Lee, Rev. J. W.
Beach, D. W.	McClean, Miss Carolyn.
Carlin, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Don.	McCracken, John H.
Carter, J. S.	McDonald, Jesse A.
Dannelson, W. H.	Medsker, Myron M.
Dickey, J. M.	Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. Charles M.
Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel D.	Riley, James Whitcomb.
Fisher, Mr. and Mrs.	Rosh, Rev. C. M.
Sylvester, J.	Sallee, Gilbert H.
Forshaw, Miss Anna.	Sallee, Miss Alma May.
Glazebrook, Thomas B.	Sidener, George B.
Glazebrook, Miss Emma.	Sneed, Rev. Frank W.
Glazebrook, Miss Hettie.	Wandell, Mr. and Mrs. H. B.
Griswold, Joseph L.	Williams, Rev. Mead C.
Hudson, Miss Marian.	Wilson, Lee J.
	Wright, Joseph A.

James Whitcomb Riley, though wise in his day and generation above the ordinary, is subject, like the unpoetic mortal, to the worries of this workaday world. For one thing, he is superstitious. A gentleman who has known him intimately for several years said to the Post-Dispatch Saturday morning:

"Nothing could induce Mr. Riley to occupy room No. 13 in a hotel. He has a horror of the number 13. I believe he would rather stay up all night than sleep in a room with that number.

"Mr. Riley firmly believes that his trunk is hoodooed. That is why he has it plastered all over with red stars. He argues that by having those conspicuous signs on it, the trunk will be easy to find when it gets lost, as it frequently does. Mr. Riley simply wires broadcast a message like this:

"'Look for a trunk with red stars plastered all over it.'

"That trunk is Riley's and his trademark helps him to find it. You would be surprised to know how easily it gets lost, even on the best trains. Once he was traveling by the Diamond Express on the Lehigh Valley Road. When he got to Wilkesbarre, where he was to appear on the platform, his trunk was missing. Mr. Riley borrowed a dress suit that fit him too plentifully, and he made a sorry figure as he went upon the platform to speak his pieces. Another time his trunk got lost on the Empire State Express of the New York Central Road and he had a hard time finding it.

"Not for the world would Mr. Riley take a room on the top floor of a hotel. He is afraid of fire. He usually gets on the parlor floor. The day before the painter Windsor Hotel fire in New York he stopped at a hotel in Pennsylvania and was shown to a room on the third floor. He told the bellboy, on reaching the room, that he could not occupy it. 'There is no fire escape,' he said, looking out at the window. But the boy said, 'You got to stay in this room, mister, 'cause they ain't no more rooms left.' 'All right,' said Mr. Riley, 'but I'm sure there is going to be a big fire somewhere, if not here; and if it breaks out here I'll give you $25 to come up and rescue me.'

"Next day he read of the Windsor Hotel fire. He seems to have presentiments of that kind of calamities."

This gentleman was asked if Mr. Riley would recite his poem about the boy with curvature of the spine, at the Odeon next Wednesday night.

"N.," was the reply; "he has quit reciting that. Mr. Riley is very tender-hearted, as his poems indicate. One time he recited the poem you mention, which describes so pathetically the sorrow of a boy thus afflicted, who cannot jump and play like the other boys, when a woman back in the audience arose, weeping, and left the hall with her poor little humpbacked boy. Mr. Riley, you may be sure, was keenly conscious of the pain he had caused that mother, and he recites the piece no more at public gatherings.

"Oh yes, that story about Riley having been a sign painter when he was a young man is true. He was a good one, too. Why, he has painted very fair portraits of George and Martha Washington. He's quite an artist. I suppose there are still some old signs in Indiana towns that Riley painted. Once he was traveling with a companion sign-artist and went to a farmhouse. There was a barn on the premises with a tempting expanse of outside wall. Riley got permission from the woman of the house to paint advertising signs upon it. He was up a ladder, working away, with the job about half done, when a man approached and roughly ordered him to quit. Riley told the man that he had received permission to do the work, from the woman at the house.

"'She rents this farm, and I own it,' was the reply. 'Now you skedaddle!'

"Riley skedaddled, joining his partner, who was painting on the fence planks. Ten years later, when the sign painter had become a famous poet, the town near that farm tendered him a banquet. One of the banqueters said to the poet: 'It appears to me that I have seen you before.'

"Mr. Riley looked at him and replied: 'I'm sure I have seen you before. You're the man who ordered me to get down from a ladder when I was painting your barn.' The two men are now firm friends."

Poet Riley is reticent about his age. He is nearly 50 now. Not long ago a lady asked him how old he was. He replied:

"Madam, my age is known only to the Sphinx, and he ain't sayin' nothin'."

John Riley, elder brother of the Hoosier poet, lives at Los Angeles, and is engaged in the rather prosy pursuit of an attache of the Bradstreet Commercial Agency. But James Whitcomb has said:

"John has talent, and if he had only applied himself he could have become noted as a writer."

Riley, it is said, inherits his talent, in a measure, from his mother, who belonged to the Marine family of Indiana, and was a verse-writer herself. She died in 1873. Reuben Riley, his father, was a lawyer in Greenfield, Ind., the poet's birthplace. He died about five years ago.

Mr. Riley has published 11 volumes of verse and one of prose sketches. His secretary, J. M. Dickey, says that most of his literary work, as the world knows it, was done when the author was between 17 and 30 years of age. Even now, when he publishes a new book, he goes back into his past and rakes up poems written then. Some of them he revises and others he publishes as they were written. He was 20 years of age before he began publishing his poems in book form.

Mr. Riley has never married. He lives with his oldtime friend, Maj. Holstein, on Lockerbie street, Indianapolis. One of his prettiest poems is a tribute to this street, beginning:

"Such a dear little street it is, nestled away
From the noise of the city and heat of the day,
In cool, shady coverts of whispering trees
With their leaves lifted up to shake hands with the breeze,
Which in all its wide wanderings never may meet
With a resting place fairer than Lockerbie street."



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DEPRIVED OF MISSION ROCK.

Court Decision Gives It Back to the United States Government.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—A decision has been handed down in the United States Circuit Court depriving the California Dry Dock Co. of all its rights in Mission Rock and the improvements thereon, which amount to $300,000. The decision was rendered by Judge Beatty of Idaho, on a suit in ejectment begun by the government last August. The technical point involved was the right of the state to grant title to tide land surrounding government property. An appeal will be taken. The government wants this land for a coaling station. It is now occupied by the warehouse of the dock company.

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BOERS CAPTURED 573 BRITISH

Kitchener's Message Confirms Story of Defeat.

5 OFFICERS AND 9 MEN KILLED

THE LAST BATTALION WAS STATIONED UPON A HILL.

Details Sent to Support It Also Fell Into the Hands of De Wet's Patriots, Who Charged the Commanding Position.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Lord Kitchener's message to the war office is as follows:

"Pretoria, Dec. 14.—Clements brought in his force to Commando Nek, unopposed. The casualties were, I regret to say, heavy.

"Killed—Five officers and nine of other ranks.

"Missing—Eighteen officers and 555 of other ranks.

"These latter were four companies of the Northumberland Fusiliers who were stationed on the hill and some yoemanry and other details sent up to support them. Names and nature of wounds are being telegraphed from Cape Town.

"Broadwood's brigade took no part in the engagement.

"The Boers suffered severely. Knox drove De Wet north to the Thabanchu-Lady Brand line, which was held by our troops. De Wet's force, about 2000 strong, made several attempts to get through during the day, assisted by a force of Boers operating from the north. These attacks were driven back, though some of the Boers from the south were able to get through the line."

Wiring later, Dec. 14, Lord Kitchener reports that while passing the lines in the neighborhood of Thabanchu, De Wet's force lost considerably. The South African light horse and Thornecycroft's mounted infantry captured a 15-pounder, taken at De Wetsdorp, a pompon, several wagons with ammunition, 22 prisoners and some horses and mules. A portion of the enemy has not been able to pass north.

MOTHER GOT HER BABY

MRS. URBANT GIVEN POSSESSION OF HER CHILD.

MR. AND MRS. WOOD YIELDED

Famous "New Memphis Baby" Has at Last Been Returned to Its Mother and Belleville People Pleased.

The famous "New Memphis baby," a contest for possession of which has been raging for over two months, in which the people of two counties have taken a keen interest, has been returned to the arms of its mother, and the yearning of her heart has been satisfied.

The contest was between the mother and the foster mother of the child. The mother consented to be separated from the child when it was only three days old, for prudential reasons. She came near losing it forever. It was only regained by unremitting efforts and final resort to habeas corpus proceedings.

The mother was not a wife when the child was born. Then she was Miss Mary Tonnies, the pretty daughter of a Germantown farmer. Three days after the baby was born in secret the mother placed it tenderly in the hands of J. B. Urbant, a young man employed on her mother's farm, and charged him to take it to the St. Agnes Orphan Asylum in Belleville. She expected to regain it soon, under cover of adoption, and thus keep the child without sacrificing her good name.

The sisters, because they did not know Urbant, refused to accept the child. He then turned it over to Overseer Hill, and he sent it to the county farm.

In a few days Miss Tonnies came to Belleville and went to the county farm to see the child. She wanted to take it away, and wept when she was told she could not. She lingered about the institution all day, and returned several times. She was told that if the parents were not found she might get the child by adoption. It was her intention to do this.

But in some of the intervals between her visits to Belleville Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wood applied to the County Court for the child, and were permitted to adopt it.

When Miss Tonnies heard of it on her next trip to Belleville she could not conceal her grief. She was reminded that she had not shown that she had any interest in the child.

Miss Tonnies thought that if she married and acknowledged the child as hers she could get it. She went back to Germantown and she and Urbant went to Carlyle and were married. They then came to Belleville, announced their wedding, acknowledged the child as theirs and tried to get it. They were confronted with a statute which provided that when a child under one year of age was abandoned by its parents and was taken to any institution and cared for, the parents lost all their right, control and authority over the child.

Two days ago habeas corpus proceedings were brought in the Circuit Court by Attorneys George C. Rebhan and James A. Farmer. The proceeding was based on the contention that the child had not been abandoned by its parents because the mother had not intended that it should be abandoned, and the father, at the time he abandoned the baby was not the father within the meaning of the law, as he only acquired a right to dispose of the child after his subsequent marriage to the mother.

After the proceeding was begun Mr. Wood proposed to give up the child if he was reimbursed the amount of his outlay in court costs, attorney fees and the purchase of an outfit for the child, amounting to almost $200. The Urbants were sent for and arrived in Belleville Friday. They agreed to pay the price, the adoption of the child was set aside, and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Urbant went to the Wood home, and the foster mother placed the child in the arms of the mother.

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MANUAL BOYS AS MINSTRELS.

Training School to Appear at Arcade Hall, Cabanne, Dec. 26.

Manual Training School students will appear in black face at Arcade Hall, Cabanne, the evening of Dec. 26 for the benefit of the glee club of the school. The Manual Training School Minstrel company will furnish the program.

End men are John Sullivan, A. B. Mooney, Douglas Martin and Frank Stevens. E. P. Rilliet will be the interlocutor. The numbers on the bill of fare include the Training School Mandolin Club, in black face sketch by Martin, Van Clews and Darby, a tenor solo by E. P. Rilliet, Stephens and Mooney in a musical number, King and Kellogg in a vocal duet, the entertainment concluding with a dramatic sketch entitled "New Way to Pay Board Bills," presented by Sullivan and Mooney.

The affair is under the business management of John Sullivan, and the artistic part of the program has been entrusted to the stage management of A. B. Mooney.

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SWEPT DOCKET CLEAN

CITY ATTORNEY DYER DISPOSED OF 15 CASES IN 15 MINUTES.

DAYTON COURT WAS SPEEDY

Most of the Cases Arose From Fisticuffs and at Last the Participants Refused to Prosecute.

City Attorney Dyer of the Dayton street Police Court made a record for speed Saturday morning. Inside of 15 minutes he disposed of 15 cases, dealing with various violations of the city ordinances.

Peter Shannon and John Naughton had been warm friends until they had an argument Friday afternoon about the color of a certain street car. Both insisted they were right and each sought to force his conclusions on the other by means of his fists. The result was that each received a severe drubbing and then Policeman Knoll-hoff escorted them to the Carr Street Station. In the Dayton Street Police Court Saturday morning they said they had "shaken hands and made up" and were allowed to depart.

John Hill and Arthur Rollins had a rough and tumble contest Friday night that ended disastrously for the former. Though somewhat disfigured Hill told the city attorney of the Dayton street court that he forgave his antagonist and the pair were released.

The next couple arraigned were Fannie Davis and May Taylor, who scratched each other's faces and pulled each other's hair Friday night at Eleventh and Morgan streets. Miss Davis was the first one asked for a statement.

"How long since you've been out of the workhouse?" queried the city attorney.

"Well, Mr. Dyer," replied Fannie, "I haven't been there in over a month."

May Taylor said it was nearly two months since she had been a guest of Superintendent Kempf. Each was assessed $10.

Policeman Tom Mahon, who maintains order at Broadway and Washington avenue, arrested Thomas Heffernan Friday evening, because, it was alleged, he had disturbed the peace of B. W. Patterson, a St. Louis Transit conductor.

Mr. Patterson failed to appear when the case was called Saturday and the case was dismissed for want of prosecution.

Charged With Embezzlement.—Robert Richardson, a clerk in the office of the Mutual Life Insurance Co. in the Chemical building, was arrested Friday afternoon by Detective Joyce on a charge of embezzling $250 from the company. The discrepancy in his accounts was discovered by John C. Elliott, resident manager of the company, who caused the arrest. He will apply for a warrant. Richardson admits taking the money and said he intended to return it in a few days. He said he took the money to send to his father in New Orleans, who is in poor health and in need of immediate financial assistance. Richardson is 25 years of age and resides at 3743 Cook avenue.

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VALUE OF GENEROSITY.

The Post-Dispatch Christmas Fund is growing so healthily that a big festival is assured for all the poor of the city.

A gratifying feature in the work is the interest among children and young people. In some neighborhoods boys and girls are canvassing among their little friends, and collecting donations to swell the fund and add to the Christmas cheer.

This is a good example—an example worth following. Girls and boys cannot learn too soon the value, as a factor in character, of generosity and sympathy.

The present occasion is an opportunity for parents to enforce a lesson in this regard. The Christmas season is especially appropriate for the exercise of loving kindness and children may learn a lesson which will not be forgotten.

Let all help out. It is a privilege, not a duty.

The close of the World's Fair Fund will mark an epoch in the history of St. Louis. Next week is the most opportune time for the epochal date.

NOT FOR SELF, BUT FOR ALL.

The West End Woman's Club of Chicago which is now in the ninth year of its existence is a municipal force.

The municipal section of this club procured the paving of Jackson boulevard for a considerable distance, put pictures in the public schools as examples of art and to illustrate history, was instrumental in providing baths and proper toilet and sanitary arrangements in some of the schools and was influential in getting the street railway companies to raise the standard of cleanliness in their cars. This year the department has gone to work to help delinquent and abandoned children, has established a domestic science bureau and keeps an eye on the juvenile court.

The motto of this club is significant—"Not for Self but for All."

That is the secret of success. When the spirit of that motto enters into the hearts of the men and women of this city St. Louis will become a city great and famous.

The last Christmas of the century will be the happier for every man, woman or child who by a contribution to the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund makes another happy.

CRUSHED BY A FENDER.

Thursday night Michael Maloney was crushed by a street car fender and died Friday morning—another victim added to the long list of deaths from worthless fenders.

From now until after the World's Fair, the city will increase largely in population. The streets will become more and more crowded. Thousands of visitors will come to St. Louis. Are they to be in constant peril from fenders that are supposed to save life but which maim and kill?

And the lives of the citizens are as valuable as those of visitors. Why should the people of St. Louis be expected to endure the results of the mistakes or apathy of the authorities in permitting worthless fenders to be placed on the cars? The public should demand that this wrong be righted without delay. Enough lives have been sacrificed.

The adoption of the Davis amendment to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty excites grave alarm among impressionable people. But war with England over any such question is not even a remote probability. The talk of war is just as meaningless as the teary talk of loving friendship we have been hearing for two years past.

GOOD AS THE MOON.

The absorption of the Pennsylvania coal fields by the coal trust goes forward relentlessly.

A dispatch explaining the recent acquisition of Wyoming and Lackawanna Valley mines says:

"There are so many restrictions to the small operators along the line of the big railroads. They do not get all the cars they want, they have to pay a high rate for tollage or sell their coal outright at a low figure to the railroad company. Under these conditions they are glad to have the opportunity to sell."

One of the capital supports of monopoly is discrimination in transportation rates. The coal trust is intimately connected with the railway monopoly and only those operators who "stand in" with the trust can get fair treatment from the roads.

The Interstate commerce law enacted to prevent this discrimination is of as much use as—say the moon in St. Louis.

In his speech in support of the subsidy bill Mr. Hanna said he "wanted to put it on higher grounds than mere dollars and cents. It is away and beyond that point in patriotism and pride in our national life." That's fair. Hanna and his syndicate will take the dollars and cents as their share while the people will have the glow of patriotism and pride in national life for theirs.

BUSY LITTLE WRITERS.

Once a year, just before Christmas, all the children take to writing letters. They all begin alike, "Dear Santa Claus." The big children write for the little ones, and all the letters are sent away to some newspaper, or store whose managers have a "real" Santa in all his glory.

Since it began publishing these letters to Santa Claus this season, the Post-Dispatch has received nearly a thousand of them. And as Christmas Eve draws nigh, they come in in greater number and from all parts of the paper's territory.

Of course, all these busy little writers cannot be accommodated with space in any newspaper, however large. Hence, their parents should not encourage them to expect it. Santa Claus does not need to see a child's requests in print. He is looking over the little one's shoulder as he writes and knows what is wanted before the letter is sent. What would be the use of having such wonderful powers as are usually credited to him, if the Christmas Saint could not do a little thing like that?

The stack of little letters that come addressed to Santa Clause are not wasted. A number of the best written and most entertaining are printed and all do some good. Perhaps the editor is a better man for having read them. And they bring the children to public notice once a year, at the special season devoted to them, which is well for the world.

Let the little folks continue to write to Santa Claus. We could not do without their childish faith and its various modes of expression.

Every St. Louisan, young or old, has the opportunity to contribute to the great Christmas festival for the poor. Small as well as large sums are welcome and supplies of any sort will help the work along.

WILL HE BRING BACK HIS REPUTATION?

Will Gen. Kitchener bring his reputation back with him when he returns to England from that "graveyard of reputations," South Africa?

The most difficult part of the conquest of the Boer nation is just beginning to appear. Under Generals Botha and De Wet the burghers are discouragingly active.

Gen. Roberts did not add to his reputation in South Africa. He was lucky to get away when he did. And Kitchener, the great organizer, the man who thought and planned a campaign in the Soudan, for seven years, the man who, when he started on his expedition of hundreds of miles had the work so well in hand that he foretold the very day on which the final battle would be fought—Kitchener of Khartoum, will he lose his fame trying to do the impossible?

For is it not impossible to conquer a people determined to be free? At any rate Gen. Kitchener will probably learn that it is one thing to organize victory over a horde of half-crazy fanatics, but quite another to overcome the intelligent resistance of a liberty loving people.

The railroads may prove to be the most successful reformers we have ever had. The Burlington Railway Co. requires that its employes shall use no tobacco or liquor while on duty, and all railroads are disposed to guard themselves against dissipated employes. When a man must be good in order to hold his job he is under a restraint much more powerful than the average conscience.

A drunken statesman may do more harm than a drunken soldier. Not only are his duties of great importance, but he is a conspicuous example. And so the American soldier cannot see why intoxicating liquors should be kept out of the army while they are sold in the national capitol.

Mr. James L. Blair thinks that "our form of government in the larger cities is practically a failure." Is the Democratic form a failure or is the trouble due to the abuse and misuse of the form? A good theory is often perverted to the uses of evil. This is especially true of government.

If Alaska is to load us up with copper as well as with gold, the peaceful Alaskan expansion will stand in strong contrast with our seizure of the Philippines. With the building of railroads making Alaska more accessible, we are likely to have great results.

With Congress crushing the oleo manufacture, it is time for the oleo makers to cease sailing under false colors and prove that oleo is more wholesome and nutritious than butter. If this can be proven there ought to be a very good oleo trade.

While the British people get no news from South Africa they wait patiently for bad news. About all that is received from that part of the world is discouraging to those who looked for a speedy termination of hostilities.

There is work enough ahead of us here in St. Louis to keep us busy for five years. Let us make it a model city, an example of municipal excellence which shall attract imitation in all parts of the civilized world.

The railroads are not in awe of Senator Pettigrew, who has introduced a bill for government control of railroads. Senator Pettigrew is to be retired by the legislature of the Dakota he represents.

The expansion of trade on the Mississippi is a very important part of the expansion work of Congress. It should not be neglected in the interest of war expansion.

The dozen football players who joyously piled upon Charles Plantz at Aurora, Ill., a few weeks since, regret to hear that he is dead.

The people of Indianapolis who got the better of a gas company must be diabolically clever.

POST-DISPATCH SNAP SHOTS.

Eels and American consumers will perhaps always be skinned.

Pontiac has been a good Indian so long that he deserves a monument in St. Louis.

Gen. Botha accuses the English of circulating all sorts of lying reports. But lying is as much a part of war as firing.

Switzerland has just elected a president, but it is likely that he hasn't much control of the crops or the avalanches.

The collection of paintings secured by recent visitors to the postoffice building is one of the interesting features of the renovation.

We regret to learn that sister Chicago has had a prairie fire in her midst. Prairie fires in great cities often destroy a good deal of grass.

If Archbishop Ireland believes that the canteen moderates the thirst of our gallant American soldiers, why cannot the W. C. T. U. believe too?

With a St. Louis doctor at the head of the Roentgen Society of the United States, the wonderful ray will have a better showing than ever.

Mr. Yerkes' race for governor in Kentucky has made him commissioner of internal revenue, and it is not impossible that Mr. Flory of Missouri is also to be rewarded in Washington.

We may soon have a university in the Philippines where students may be stripped and covered with black ink and soft soap. With a university there the Filipino sense of humor could be greatly developed.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

GEORGE WALTERS.—There are no national holidays.

LINCOLN.—McKinley's plurality in New York was 145,142.

CHARLES JONES.—There is no premium on a half-cent of 1853.

GEORGE BLAIR.—The World's Fair site does not depend upon congressional approval.

READER, Maplewood.—The lady's address is New York. A letter sent to her there will reach her private secretary.

A. S.—Consult the directory where you will find the orphans' homes located. Then call on superintendents or matrons.

SUBSCRIBER.—Heart and Hand? We don't know it. If a magazine or other periodical you can obtain it at any bookstore.

A. J. THOMAS.—You are probably misinformed. But write to H. C. Corbin, adjutant-general U. S. A., Washington, D. C.

SUBSCRIBER.—To clean bristles in old paint brushes, soak 24 hours in raw linseed oil. Then wash in warm soap and water.

L. E. M.—Begin with Blackstone, Cooley's edition. Read it three or four times. You can get it at either of the libraries. Better consult a good lawyer.

W. P. B.—It is against our rule to print anonymous charges. Call the attention of the Anti-Wineroom Association to the condition of the place you mention.

G. A. C.—Transpire and perspire are synonymous. The use of "transpire" signifying to happen, or to come to pass, is recent and not looked upon favorably by many good writers.

B. R.—You shouldn't make any present to a young lady on short acquaintance. Not the longest acquaintance would justify a gift like a watch. A ring is appropriate only upon betrothal.

POSTPAID.—The way to ask a girl to marry you is, ask her. Just plunge in. She will understand. Do you imagine that transactions of hearts are conducted by code? The same rule, or, rather, lack of rule, should govern your "approach" to her parents.

JAMES.—There is no premium on a 5-cent nickel coin of 1877. You must use your own judgment. It depends upon the lady's age, tastes and way of life. Look through the shops, which are full of pretty and useful things. Don't spend too much money on a present. That rule is inflexible.

Women and Woman Suffrage.

From the Ohio State Journal.

It would seem that the women themselves do not want the right to vote and are very chary about exercising it when they are empowered to do so. The result of the registration in Boston for the approaching school election appears to confirm this view. There are fully 125,000 women in the Modern Athens who are eligible to vote for school officials, but the registration, when it closed the other day, showed that only 12,454 of the number had taken the trouble to qualify for an exercise of their supposedly coveted privilege.

Measuring Our Greatness.

From the Kansas City Star.

It is well that there should be an occasional celebration of a national anniversary to make the country pause for a moment to see what it has attained. The Fourth of July, coming annually, has lost much of its significance. A ceremonial such as that in Washington, brings impressively before the people the story of their past in contrast with the conditions of the present. This will be part of the value in the Louisiana Purchase celebration in St. Louis.

A DAILY MAGAZINE

DAINTY GOWN IN GRAY.



Gray is a very popular color just now. A light shade is utilized to this pretty gown. The only trimming consists of stitched white taffeta.

ON THE TRAMP.

"Dis prosperity is all fictitious!" said Meandering Mike.

"What makes you t'ink it?" asked Plodding Pete.

"Because dey keep on offerin' us roast turkey an' cider de same as dey did last November. If we was pergressin' as we ort de handouts would include terrapin an' champagne by dis time."—Washington Star.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

Most ministers seem to think heaven is a place to loaf in.

All women are naturally cruel; you can see that by the way they wash their babies.

As soon as a woman gets one baby she begins to act like she thought all the men on earth ought to stand around for her.

When a woman is after a man it always reminds you of a poker game. When she looks most melancholy she is generally surest of her hand.

No man ever remembers what he said when he proposed. The reason is that most men don't propose, only the girl makes them believe they have.—New York Press.

TROUBLESOME TASK.

John Bull is still trying to get the Transvaal into his stocking before Christmas.—Baltimore American.

IN THE IRON AGE.



The Groom: No, dearest, the old shoes they threw have not penetrated beneath my inner coat of mail.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

(This column is open to everybody who has a complaint to make, a grievance to ventilate, information to give or a subject of general interest to discuss, or a public service to acknowledge, and who can put the idea into less than 100 words. Letters from persons seeking employment cannot be given place in this column.

Poor Car Service.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Only two years ago our city enjoyed the reputation far and wide of having the most rapid and best street car service in America; today I do not believe any citizen will question the assertion that we have the slowest and most abominable service in the world. On lines where we formerly had a regular service of three to four minutes space, the present company only claim twelve minute space and it is more frequently twenty minutes between cars than twelve. Formerly the cars were clean and decent for passengers, alas, what is the present condition? Have the car cleaners at sheds been abolished, also inspectors of machinery, etc.? How long will a suffering community stand such treatment? Is it not time for mass meetings of our citizens to be called, a fund raised and ascertain if the citizens have any rights?

ONE WHO USES STREET CARS.

Improvement of the City.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Some talk about cleaning the city to look respectable for the World's Fair.

Do away with that dirty old round top market on Broadway from Biddle to O'Fallon streets.

Make it a large open street or a small park.

Put your ropes to this eye sore and have it removed. BROADWAY.

St. Louis.

How Shall Enthusiasm Be Unbottled?

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Last night at the Odeon when Mme. Schuman-Heink ended her "Ganymede," an emotional gentleman, who had been abroad, expressed his delight by crying loudly, "Bravo!" "Bravo!" "Bravo!" He was so stared at that he blushed rosy red and thereafter ventured only to clap his hands timidly like the rest of us, when he found the singer pleasing.

It occurred to me, seeing this, that we need some national method, that we have not now, of expressing our appreciation of good music. We may not shout "Bravo!" nor "Bis!" nor may we, in nicely kept halls, stamp our feet and pound our sticks. We may only clap our hands. This is inadequate, and hurts our hands, besides it often splits the gloves of women.

I suggest that a few musicians of such standing that their proclamation would be ex cathedra, choose some way of applauding that will relieve our feelings and be American. If the audience at the Odeon last night could have yelled merrily three times in unison Mme. Schuman-Heink would have been charmed and we would all have felt better.

Please take up this matter and push it. REPRESSED.

No Lights There.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I have read in your paper that the Weisbach company has fulfilled its contract of putting up light, but not so on Texas avenue, between Lynch and Pestalozzi streets. READER.

Should Tell Her All.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

In your edition of a week ago my attention was called to an article in which a married man asks the question whether a man should tell his wife everything. I was greatly astonished that a man having taken or about to take into consideration such a relationship for a lifetime would hesitate for one moment upon so important a question. No man should withhold from his wife or prospective wife anything, no matter how trivial it might appear to him, and a woman of fine sensibility would, through respect and love, overlook, any slight mistakes. Circumstances must govern our actions always, so there is no requirement to assume secrecy toward husband or wife.

It is better to live without the object of our affections than to lack confidence of their magnanimity of character. Loyalty should govern and predominate over every other fault or virtue and motive of mankind and womankind.

St. Louis. A MARRIED WOMAN.

THE NEWEST BOOKS.

GEORGE W. JACOBS & CO. of Philadelphia issue two little volumes of "American Wit and Humor," collected from various sources and classified under appropriate subject headings. There are stories, conundrums, witticisms, besides special chapters illustrating the life of the lawyer, the doctor, editor, preacher, etc. The two volumes will fit out a young man starting out to shine in society or make a hit as a public speaker.

STUDENTS and lovers of Shakspeare will welcome these two volumes. Mr. Hartmann, in "Shakspeare, in Art," collected many of the most famous and excellent illustrations of the great dramatist's plays and accompanies them with descriptions and critical observations. The first chapter is devoted to Shakspeare portraits.

In the volume entitled "Shakspeare in Music" Mr. Elson undertakes to show how closely the poet allied himself with music. Unfamiliar musical allusions are explained, in most cases the passages being quoted entire. The musical instruments mentioned by Shakspeare are enumerated, the musical life of England in Shakspeare's time is described, dances, ballads and lyrics are considered, with much curious lore of great value to those readers who would master the subtlest meanings of the poet.

("Shakspeare in Art," by Sadakichi Hartmann, with 32 illustrations from celebrated paintings. "Shakspeare in Music," by Louis C. Elson. L. C. Page & Co., Boston.)

L. C. PAGE & CO. of Boston publish a group of books relating to the stage—dramatic and musical. They are "Famous Pianists of Today and Yesterday," by Henry C. Lahee; "Contemporary American Composers," by Rupert Hughes; "Celebrated Comedians of Light Opera and Musical Comedy in America," by Lewis C. Strang, and "Prima Donnas and Soubrettes of Light Opera and Musical Comedy in America," by the same author. The titles sufficiently explain the subjects. The books are well illustrated, well written and very dainty volumes.

WORK has been commenced upon volume II of the "Collegiate Register Missouri," a book which has excited much interest in the college world. The compiling of the work is being done by George J. Simon, former student of the University of Missouri, who, with Frederick A. Keller, will issue the same in handsome form the latter part of February.

The work is an encyclopedia of Missouri's educational institutions, and will, doubtless, be of considerable benefit to the colleges of the country. The features of the work will be over two hundred illustrations of college buildings and grounds and portraits of the presidents of schools, a concise history, a sketch of its town, faculty, calendar, rates of tuition, conditions for entrance and for graduation, a sketch of each fraternity and society with their members, of all schools, a complete directory of all college men and women in the state (25,000) and a statistical table of all schools.

The idea is entirely original, and will, in time, prove of national importance, as a s'miar register will be published in many other states by the present publishers, Simon and Keller, who have secured a copyright and are in communication with colleges in all parts of the United States, with a view to securing the aid of their students to push the work in their respective states.

The object of the register is to furnish information to anyone desiring to ascertain the name or address of any student or professor, to furnish a description of all colleges and to further educational interests in Missouri.

The publisher's office is in the Union Trust building, St. Louis.

IN "The Day's Work Series," L. C. Page & Co., Boston, have just issued six valuable books, "The Strength of Being Clean," by David Starr Jordan, president of Leland Stanford, Jr., University, a plea for a sound and sober life; "If Ye Love Me," by Lucia M. Knowles, which is a topical arrangement of Christ's commandments, chiefly from the Sermon on the Mount; "Every-day Living," by Sarah K. Bolton, author of "Poor Boys Who Became Famous;" "Noble Womanhood," by Charles F. Dole, author of "The Coming People;" "God in His World," by Charles F. Thwing; "The Man Who Kept Himself in Repair." These are helpful little books, good for counsel, reproof or instruction.

Literary Notes.

Mrs. Amelia E. Barr's last novel, "Souls of Passage," is the leading Xmas feature in Lippincott's Magazine.

The MacMillan Company announce that they have ceased to act as publishers of the International Monthly. All communications for that journal should be addressed to the International Monthly, Burlington, Vt.

"Geber," the tale of Haroun Al Raschid, by the late Kate A. Benton, published by Frederick Stokes & Co., has apparently taken a new lease of life. These publishers have just prepared a third edition of this meritorious historical novel that has been called a worthy companion to the "Arabian Nights."

"Life's artistic qualities are well known, and it communicates the same tone to its book publications, notably Shipman's "Predicaments" and Metcalf's "Mythology for Moderns." It announces an especially handsome calendar for 1901, illustrated by Charles Dana Gibson.

The Macmillan Company, New York, has issued "A Kentucky Cardinal" and "Aftermath," by James Lane Allen in one agreeable volume, beautifully printed and pleasingly illustrated by Hugh Thomson. The author contributes a new and most delightful introduction, containing recollections of his childhood in his Kentucky home.

Among the denominations it is pretty generally known that the famous Fanny J. Crosby, writer of so many beautiful hymns, is totally blind; yet she is a woman of most cheerful spirit, and her hymns breathe of joy and sunshine. J. Allen St. John has illustrated "The Angels' Song," which she wrote for the December Delineator.

Clement Scott has written an appreciative booklet on Ellen Terry, which is published by the Frederick A. Stokes Company, with a good portrait of the actress and 24 full-page illustrations showing her in her most striking characters. It is written in a lively, reminiscent style, and its brevity is one of its charms. Bound in pretty red cloth, it should be welcome as a Christmas gift to theater-goers.

TO-DAY'S FAMOUS SHORT STORY

A CHRISTMAS CAROL. BY CHARLES DICKENS.

STAVE FOUR.

The Last of the Spirits.

THE phantom slowly, gravely, silently approached. When it came near him, Scrooge bent down upon his knee, for in the air through which this Spirit moved it seemed to scatter gloom and mystery.

It was shrouded in a deep black garment, which concealed its head, it face, its form, and left nothing of it visible save one outstretched hand. He knew no more, for the Spirit neither spoke nor moved.

"I am in the presence of the Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come. Ghost of the Future! I fear you more than any specter I have seen. But as I know your purpose is to do me good, and as I hope to live to be another man from what I was, I am prepared to bear you company, and do it with a thankful heart. Will you not speak to me?"

It gave him no reply. The hand was pointed straight before them.

"Lead on! Lead on! The night is waning fast, and it is precious time to me, I know. Lead on, Spirit!"

They scarcely seemed to enter the city, for the city rather seemed to spring up for the city rather seemed to spring up about them. But there they were in the heart of it, on 'Change amongst the merchants.

The Spirit stopped beside one little knot of business men. Observing that the hand was pointed to them, Scrooge advanced to listen to their talk.

"No," said a great fat man with a monstrous chin, "I don't know much about it either way. I only know he's dead."

"When did he die?" inquired another.

"Last night, I believe."

"Why, what was the matter with him? I thought he'd never die."

"God knows," said the first, with a yawn.

"What has he done with his money?" asked a red-faced gentleman.

"I haven't heard," said the man with the large chin." "Company perhaps. He hasn't left it to me. That's all I know. By, by!"

Scrooge was at first inclined to be surprised that the Spirit should attach importance to conversation apparently so trivial, but feeling assured that it must have some hidden purpose, he set himself to consider what it was likely to be. It could scarcely be supposed to have any bearing on the death of Jacob, his old partner, for that was past, and this Ghost's province was the future.

He looked about in that very place for his own image, but another man stood in his accustomed corner, and, though the clock pointed to his usual time of day for being there, he saw no likeness of himself among the multitudes that poured in through the porch. It gave him little surprise, however, for he had been revolving in his mind a change of life, and he thought and hoped he saw his new-born resolutions carried out in this.

They left this busy scene and went into an obscure part of the town, to a low shop where iron, old rags, bottles, bones and greasy offal were bought. A gray-haired rascal, of great age, sat smoking his pipe.

Scrooge and the Phantom came into the presence of this man, just as a woman with a heavy bundle slung into the shop. But she had scarcely entered when another woman, similarly laden, came in too, and she was closely followed by a man in faded black. After a short period of blank astonishment, in which the old man with the pipe had joined them, they all three burst into a laugh.

"Let the charwoman alone to be the first!" cried she who had entered first. "Let the laundress alone to be the second; and let the undertaker's men alone to be the third. Look here, old Joe; here's a chance! If we haven't all three met here without meaning it!"

"You couldn't have met in a better place. You were made free of it long ago, you know, and the other two ain't strangers. What have you got to sell? What have you got to sell?"

"Half a minute's patience, Joe, and you shall see."

"What odds then! What odds, Mrs. Dilber?" said the woman. "Every person has a right to take care of themselves. He always did! Who's the worse for the loss of a few things like these? Not a dead man, I suppose."

Mrs. Dilber, whose manner was remarkable for general propitiation, said, "No, indeed, ma'am."

"If he wanted to keep 'em after he was dead, a wicked old screw, why wasn't he natural in his lifetime? If he had been, he'd have had somebody to look after him when he was struck with death, instead of lying gasping out his last there, alone by himself."

"It's the truest word that ever was spoke; it's a judgment on him."

"I wish it was a little heavier judgment, and it should have been, you may depend upon it, if I could have laid my hands on anything else. Open that handle, old Joe, and let me know the value of it. Speak out plain. I'm not afraid to be the first, nor afraid for them to see it."

Joe went down on his knees for the greater convenience of opening the bundle, and dragged out a large and heavy roll of some dark stuff.

"What do you call this? Bed curtains!"

"Ah! Bed curtains! Don't drop that oil upon the blankets, now."

"His blankets?"

"Whose else's, do you think? He isn't likely to take cold without 'em, I dare say. Ah! you may look through that shirt till your eyes ache, but you won't find a hole in it, nor a threadbare place. It's the best he had, and a fine one, too. They'd have wasted it by dressing him up in it, if it hadn't been for me."

Scrooge listened to this dialogue in horror.

"Spirit! I see, I see. The case of this unhappy man might be my own. My life tends that way now. Merciful Heaven, what is this?"

The scene had changed, and now he almost touched a bare, uncertain bed. A pale light, rising in the outer air, fell straight upon this bed, and on it, unwatched, unwept, uncared for, was the body of this plundered unknown man.

"Spirit, let me see some tenderness connected with a death, or this dark chamber, Spirit, will be forever present to me."

The Ghost conducted him to poor Bob Cratchit's house—he dwelling he had visited before—and found the mother and the children seated round the fire.

Quiet. Very quiet. The noisy little Cratchits were as still as statues in one corner, and sat looking up at Peter, who had a book before him. The mother and her daughters were engaged in needlework. But surely they were very quiet!

"'And he took a child and sent him in the midst of them.'"

Where had Scrooge heard these words? He had not dreamed them. The boy must have read them out, as he and the Spirit crossed the threshold. Why did he not go on?

The mother laid her work upon the table, and put her hand up to her face.

"The color hurts my eyes," she said.

The color? Ah, poor Tiny Tim!

"They're better now again. It makes them weak by candle light, and I wouldn't show weak eyes to your father when he comes home for the world. It must be near his time."

"Past it, rather," Peter answered, shutting up his book. "But I think he has walked a little slower than he used these few last evenings, mother."

"I have known him walk with—I have known him walk with Tiny Tim upon his shoulder very fast, indeed."

"And so have I," cried Peter. "Often."

"And so have I," exclaimed another. So had all.

"But he was very light to carry, and his father loved him so, that it was no trouble—no trouble. And there is your father at the door!"

She hurried out to meet him, and little Bob, in his comforter—he had need of it, poor fellow—came in. His tea was ready for him on the hob, and they all tried who should help him to it most. Then the two young Crachits got upon his knees and laid, each child, a little cheek against his face, as if they said, "Don't mind it, father. Don't be grieved!"

Bob was very cheerful with them, and spoke pleasantly to all the family. He looked at the work upon the table, and praised the industry and speed of Mrs. Cratchit and the girls. They would be done long before Sunday, he said.

"Sunday! You went today, then, Robert?"

"Yes, my dear," returned Bob. "I wish you could have gone. It would have done you good to see how green a place it is. But you'll see it often. I promised him that I would walk there on a Sunday. My little, little child! My little child!"

He broke down all at once. He couldn't help it. If he could have helped it, he and his child would have been farther apart, perhaps, than they were.

"Specter," said Scrooge, "something informs me that our parting moment is at hand. I know it, but I know not how. Tell me what man that was, with the covered face, whom we saw lying dead?"

The Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come conveyed him to a dismal, wretched, ruinous churchyard.

The Spirit stood among the graves and pointed down to one.

"Before I draw nearer to that stone to which you point, answer me one question. Are these the shadows of the things that will be, or are they shadows of the things that may be only?"

Still the Ghost pointed downward to the grave by which it stood.

"Men's courses will foreshadow certain ends, to which, if persevered in, they must lead. But if the courses be departed from, the ends will change. Say it is thus with what you show me!"

The Spirit was immovable as ever.

Scrooge crept towards it, trembling as he went, and, following the finger, read upon the stone of the neglected grave his own name—Ebenezer Scrooge.

"Am I that man who lay upon the bed? No, Spirit! O no, no! Spirit! hear me! I am not the man I was. I will not be the man I must have been but for this intercourse. Why show me this, if I am past all hope? Assure me that I yet may change these shadows you have shown me by an altered life."

For the first time the kind hand faltered.

"I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year. I will live in the past, the present and the future. The Spirits of all three shall strive within me. I will not shut out the lessons that they teach. O, tell me I may sponge away the writing on this stone!"

Holding up his hands in one last prayer to have his fate reversed, he saw an alteration in the Phantom's hood and dress. It shrunk, collapsed and dwindled down into a bedpost.

Yes, and the bedpost was his own. The bed was his own, the room was his own. Best and happiest of all, the time before him was his own, to make amends in!

He was checked in his transports by the churches ringing out the lustiest peals he had ever heard.

Running to the window, he opened it, and put out his head. No fog, no mist, no night; clear, bright, stirring, golden day.

"What's today?" cried Scrooge, calling downward to a boy in Sunday clothes, who perhaps had loitered in to look about him.

"Eh?"

"What's today, my fine fellow?"

"Today! Why, Christmas day."

"It's Christmas day! I haven't missed it. Hallo, my fine fellow!"

"Hallo!"

"Do you know the poulterer's, in the next street but one, at the corner?"

"I should hope I did."

"An intelligent boy! A remarkable boy! Do you know whether they've sold the prize turkey that was hanging up there? Not the little prize turkey—the big one?"

"What, the one as big as me?"

"What a delightful boy! It's a pleasure to talk to him. Yes, my buck!"

"It's hanging there now."

"Is it? Go and buy it."

"Walk-er!" exclaimed the boy.

"No, no, I am in earnest. Go and buy it, and tell 'em to bring it here that I may give them the direction where to take it. Come back with the man, and I'll give you a shilling. Come back with him in less than five minutes, and I'll give you half a crown!"

The boy was off like a shot.

"I'll send it to Bob Cratchit's! He sha'n't know who sends it. It's twice the size of Tiny Tim. Joe Miller never made such a joke as sending it to Bob's will be!"

The hand in which he wrote the address was not a steady one, but write it he did, somehow, and went downstairs to open the street door, ready for the coming of the poulterer's man.

"It was a turkey! He never could have stood upon his legs, that bird. He would have snapped 'em short off in a minute, like sticks of sealing-wax."

Scrooge dressed himself "all in his best," and at last got into the streets. The people were by this time pouring forth, as he had seen them with the Ghost of Christmas present, and, walking with his hands behind him, Scrooge regarded every one with a delighted smile. He looked so irresistibly pleasant, in a word, that three or four good-humored fellows said, "Good morning, sir! A merry Christmas to you!" And Scrooge said often afterwards that, of all the blithe sounds he had ever heard, those were the blithest in his ears.

In the afternoon he turned his steps toward his nephew's house.

He passed the door a dozen times before he had the courage to go up and knock. But he made a dash and did it.

"Is your master at home, my dear?" said Scrooge to the girl. "Nice girl! Very."

"Yes, sir."

"Where is he, my love?"

"He's in the dining-room, sir, along with mistress."

"He knows me," said Scrooge, with his hand already on the dining room lock. "I'll go in here, my dear."

"Fred!"

"Why, bless my soul!" cried Fred, "who's that?"

"It's I. Your uncle, Scrooge. I have come to dinner. Will you let me in, Fred?"

Let him in! It is a mercy he didn't shake his arm off. He was at home in five minutes. Nothing could be heartier. His niece looked just the same. So did Topper when he came. So did the plump sister when she came. So did every one when they came. Wonderful party, wonderful games, wonderful unanimity, won-der-ful happiness!

But he was early at the office next morning. O, he was early there! If he could only be there first and catch Bob Cratchit coming late! That was the thing he had set his heart upon.

And he did it. The clock struck nine. No Bob. A quarter past. No Bob. Bob was full eighteen minutes and a half behind his time. Scrooge sat with his door wide open that he might see him come into the tank.

Bob's hat was off before he opened the door; his comforter, too. He was on his stool in a jiffy, driving away with his pen as if he were trying to overtake 9 o'clock.

"Hallo!" growled Scrooge in his accustomed voice, as near as he could feign it. "What do you mean by coming here at this time of day?"

"I am very sorry, sir. I am behind my time."

"You are? Yes. I think you are. Step this way, if you please."

"It's only once a year, sir. It shall not be repeated. I was making rather merry yesterday, sir."

"Now, I'll tell you what, my friend. I am not going to stand this sort of thing any longer. And therefore," Scrooge continued, leaping from his stool, and giving Bob such a dig in the waistcoat that he staggered back into the tank again—"and therefore I am about to raise your salary!"

Bob trembled and got a little nearer to the ruler.

"A merry Christmas, Bob!" said Scrooge, with an earnestness that could not be mistaken, as he clapped him on the back. "A merrier Christmas, Bob, my good fellow, than I have given you for many a year! I'll raise your salary and endeavor to assist your struggling family, and we will discuss your affairs this very afternoon over a Christmas bowl of smoking bishop, Bob! Make up the fires, and buy a second coal-scuttle before you dot another i, Bob Cratchit!"

Scrooge was better than his word. He did it all, and infinitely more, and to Tiny Tim, who did not die, he was a second father. He became as good a friend, as good a master and as good a man as the good old city knew, or any other good old city, town or borough in the good old world. Some people laughed to see the alteration in him, but his own heart laughed, and that was quite enough for him.

FOOTBALL SUNDAY ASSOCIATION GAMES. RACING FAVORITES BEATEN AT FRISCO. SPORT

ST. LOUIS MAY GET TWO TEAMS

American League Will Come Into This City.

TWO BALL PARKS PROBABLE

CAPT. PAT TEBEAU MAY MANAGE ONE.

War of the League and the Players' Union Will Likely Prove Advantageous to the Sport in St. Louis.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—St. Louis may have two first-class teams next year. That is, she may be represented in two big leagues.

The National League meeting is ended and the majority of the magnates have departed for their homes. Although the meeting was in session five days, the magnates did little to straighten out affairs. The magnates did not hold out the olive branch to either the American League or the Players' Union, so the chances for a baseball war are brighter than ever.

With the two leagues at war it is almost certain the American League will take in St. Louis; in fact one of the National League magnates admitted he expected to see an American League team placed in St. Louis.

Ban Johnson and his associates make no secret of it. They say that unless McGraw and Robinson are allowed to hold the Baltimore franchise without hindrance, they will place clubs in both St. Louis and Boston.

It is certain now that the National League will make trouble for the Baltimoreans if they take the step they threaten to.

The magnates surprised everybody by the amount of backbone they have shown. They did not go about it in a half-hearted way. They simply laid down the law. Johnson intends to be just as stubborn and states positively that he will stick to McGraw.

It is evident the American Leaguers have been taking some steps towards placing clubs in Boston and St. Louis.

They say that a park has been selected in St. Louis and that the franchise will be given to Pat Tebeau.

Talking with some friends the other day, Johnson stated that he thought there was enough room in St. Louis for two teams, whether there was a fight or not. On this occasion the leader of the American League spoke as though St. Louis might be placed in the American League circuit, instead of either Milwaukee or Detroit.

The Players' Union has been turned down coldly by the magnates. This is another point in favor of the American in case of a war. The officers of the union are sorely disappointed at being ignored by the magnates and threaten to get even. They will hold a meeting here in a day or so and determine what action should be taken.

As all of the stars of the profession are members of the union, it would be a body blow to the National if it was decided upon to join forces with the American.

LAST DAY OF THE RACE

INTENSE EFFORTS MAKING TO INCREASE RECORDS.

SCORERS WERE KEPT BUSY

Six Day Bicycle Contest Nearing the Finish in Madison Square Garden, New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The morning of the last day of the six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden found the teams in abut the same relative positions they have held for several days past.

Elkes and McFarland and Pierce and McEachern retained their lead of one lap on the Frenchmen, Simar and Gougoltz. At 6:30 this morning Simar tried to make up the lost lap and he caused considerable commotion for a while. He drew away from the bunch and, riding at a terrific pace, gained half a lap. Gougoltz relieved him and increased the advantage to three-quarters. Simar, who was on his wheel near his quarters, then relieved Gougoltz. Elkes relieved McFarland and McEachern substituted Pierce.

These changes occurred every few minutes. The scorers were kept busy. For fifteen minutes the struggle to increase the gain was continued. Relief men were on hand and trainers and handlers were busy holding their riders on the wheels, ready to start afresh after a few moments' brief rest.

The leaders apparently overcame the French team's lead and the relief men dismounted from their wheels. They gathered then about Night Referee Wilson. Trainer Tom West claimed that Gougoltz and Simar had gained a lap. This the other trainers and handlers denied, and the claim was not allowed.

The race will close at 10 o'clock tonight, and an exciting finish is looked for. Waller, who was weary and exhausted, after being lapped several times, quit the track at 2:30 o'clock, satisfied with the present position. Stinson did not relieve him. Waller said he knew the last two teams had no earthly chance of passing him.

PUPPY STAKE AT PASTIME.

There Will Be Splendid Coursing on Sunday Afternoon.

Special interest is centered in the puppy stake to be run at the coursing meet at Pastime Park Sunday afternoon. Society Belle and Mountain Chief, two California dogs, will make their first start. They are said to be well bred, but should have a hard time contending wi h John S. Bratton s Kansas King, Imported Swansea and Lemoine.

In the all-age will be found the speedy White Wings and Chief Elroy. Cashier will be brought here from Belleville, and Miss Gibbons will start her western wonder, Ornament. Mrs. Benson will also try to win with Van Nye, and P. Conrad has entered Capt. Dreyfus.

Shamrock, who has never been out of the money, will represent the Hughes' kennel, while Hooper will go after the all-age stake with Miss Adaline. The draw follows:

Puppy stake—Mountain Chief, Bratton's entry; Lemoine, Kansas King; Imp. Swansea, Society Belle.

All-age stake—Capt. Dreyfus, Shamrock; White Wings, Miss Adaline; Van Nye, Chief Elroy; Ornament, Cashier.

Madison Turf Exchange Reopens.

Trains leave foot of Olive street 1 p. m., 1:30, 2, 2:32, 2:55, 4:25, 5:27, 6:25 p. m.

THE BRITISH COMPLIMENT AMERICAN RIDING



THREE BEST RIDERS IN ENGLAND THIS YEAR.

The Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News of London has an article in its latest number dealing with American riding methods, which shows just how Americans have been successful and why.

It compliments Lester Reiff for his ability to lead such a clever rider as Loates. Loates is England's greatest jockey, but he had to be satisfied with second plate in the list of winning jockeys and Johnny Reiff pressed him close for this honor.

The News, after complimenting the Reiffs, says:

"As to other American jockeys, D. Maher, during his short residence here, has made himself popular; he is a fine horseman, and likes our courses. Sloan is credited with the best average, but he is not a favorite with some of the ruling authorities. They think that he takes too much upon himself; that he is too anxious to make his small personality felt in the wrong places, and that he ought to be satisfied with shining in the saddle.

"Trainers, too, have had a great deal to think about during the eventful season just closed. The 'invasion' has affected them appreciably in several ways. They have been taught, for instance, to consider whether their methods are absolutely the best, and that doubt is often the beginning of improvement. The results of such rivalry are not unwholesome. I have seen fitter horses, more of them, this year than during any previous season within my experience. I have watched more races run truly to time, and fewer muddled away by a bad pace or lost through want of condition or careless jockeyship. Trainers have been obliged to wake up a little and study their own business. They see that their American confreres do not neglect the smallest details, do not trust to their head lads, do some of the important work themselves, and take care that all of it is properly done. They leave nothing to chance or to the bungling of unsupervised subordinates. 'Why, why by harains and work.' Such is their pronouncement; they do not rely upon luck to get them any money.

"One of the American trainers' advocates has pointed out that they never leave their horses, so to speak, and study feeding, watering, shoeing, exercise, etc., with special reference to the requirements of each animal under their charge. They find out things for themselves; they do not wait to be told. Their energy is ceaseless. When I expressed astonishment at Newmarket with regard to the early hour they leave the stables of a morning with their first lot, the reply given to me was, in effect, this: 'Why, they have done a day's work before some of our astute trainers are out of bed. When the latter are yawning, perhaps, and turning over for another snooze, the others are out on the heath getting their horses fit to win races.'"

CLEVER LITTLE SKATER

YOUNG ALLEN SHAW

WHO IS GAINING FAME

Although Only Twelve Years Old He Has Been Taken in Hand by an Expert and Has Developed Marvelous Knowlelge of Racing.

Allen Shaw, a clever little lad of 12 years, has the making of a great skater.

Allen is a marvel in more ways than one. His ability to skate fast is only a secondary consideration to the cool manner in which he does things. In a race he is as cold as the frozen water beneath him.

For a boy of his years he knows a great many things about the racing game. He takes the turns like a veteran, and is always going the short way around the rink. He can judge his pace surprisingly well, and will never lag behind his opponent if he thinks the race is too slow.

Shaw's burst of speed would make many full-grown skaters show the white flag. His jump is marvelous. When going his fastest his little legs work like piston rods. Before the spurt he takes a long, steady Johnson stride. The swaying motion of his body gives plenty of force to his stroke.

Shaw is a protege of Jack McCormick's. The latter saw the boy compete in a race for boys at the Ice Palace last year. He took hold of the lad and after teaching him the rudiments of the game started him in a race for older boys. Shaw had everything his own way from the outset and won easily. He won many races during the year and did not meet defeat except in handicap events where he had no chance.

This year Shaw has improved a great deal. He has grown stronger and of course has some experience. He has participated in two races this year. The first was a handicap affair in which he tried to give such clever little skaters as James Hurley and James Long a half lap each in a half-mile race.

Although this is a remarkably big handicap, the lad came within a few inches of accomplishing the feat. His next start was in a match race with Hurley, which he won easily.

Manager Manning is trying to arrange with the champion boy skater of Pittsburg to come here and try conclusions with Shaw.

QUESTIONS ABOUT SPORT ANSWERED.

Q: Is Terry McGovern the lightweight champion now that he has beaten Gans? Regular Reader. A: No. McGovern will have to beat Erne at 133 pounds before he is entitled to that honor.

Q. Playing euchre the dealer turned down the trump after my partner had passed. I am to the left of the dealer. I made it next. Is that right? Agnes T. A: That usually proves the most effective way.

Q: Do you think it right to pay off bets on the McGovern-Gans fight? Subscriber. A: Bets go with the referee's decision. If it is proven to be a fake fight no true sportsman would collect money won on McGovern.

Q: Is Donovan manager of the St. Louis club? A. F. T. A: The appointment has not been made as yet. He is a likely candidate.

Q: Which do you think is the best coursing dog in St. Louis? Leash. A: That is a hard question to decide. On past performances Warburton looks like the best.

Q: When does the six-day bicycle race end? A: At 10 o'clock Saturday night.

Q: When do the new Louisville Jockey Club's stakes close? A: Jan. 5.

Q: What did Gans weigh when he fought McGovern? A. At 7 o'clock Thursday evening he weighed 134½ pounds, when he should have tipped the scales at 133.

VANDERBILT YACHT SET ASIDE.

Herreshoff's Shops Busy With the New Defender Boat.

BRISTOL, R. I., Dec. 15.—The Rainbow, Cornelius Vanderbilt's 70-foot yacht, which has been undergoing extensive repairs at the Herreshoffs' shops, has been put overboard in order to make room for the work of running the keel of the new defender.

We Mean You

Ayer's Hair Vigor makes everybody's hair grow faster: it makes some persons' hair grow very, very fast. It stops falling of the hair, too; and restores color to your gray hair every time, all the dark, rich color of early life. You should send for our book on the hair; it tells just what you want to know."

If you do not obtain the benefit you desire from use of the Vigor, write the Doctor about it. He will tell you just the right thing to do. Address, Dr. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

ASSOCIATION GAMES SUNDAY

Christian Brothers' College Against the Shamrocks and the Globes Against the Cyclists.

Phil Kavanaugh's eleven hustling leather chasers who represent the Christian Brothers' College on the association football field will try conclusions with Manager Gillespie's Shamrocks at Athletic Park Sunday afternoon. The kickers from Cote Brilliante are playing an exceptionally fast game these days. The boys are working together and now that they have started to win, the other three games will have considerable trouble heading them off.

It is thought Gibbons, the clever forward of the Athletics, will be on the Shamrocks' line Sunday. Manager Gillespie has been trying to sign Gibbons for the past several days, but as yet he has not succeeded. The lineup:

C. B. Cs.	Positions.	Shamrocks.
Brehme	Goal	E. Popp
Rickesteiger	Fullback	W. Popp
Corcoran	Fullback	W. Robinson
Riordan	Halfback	Rump
Tighe	Halfback	Matthews
Dunigan	Halfback	McDonough
Tom Kane	Halfback	Burk
Phil Kavanaugh	Forward	Parker
Reed	Forward	Casey
Granville	Forward	Guinon
McSweeney	Forward	Lowis

Referee—"Stump" Kavanaugh.

Out on the C. B. C. campus in Cote Brilliant the Globes will try to break into the winning column by defeating the strong Cycling Club team. The Globes play faster on each appearance, and they are Hab o to give the wheelmen a fight for the game. The line-up:

Cycling Club.	Positions.	Globes.
Tuig	Goal	McCormack
Griffin	Fullback	King
Lynch	Fullback	Betts
Orrick	Halfback	Heckwolf
Shaughnessy	Halfback	McCarthy
Lewis	Halfback	Harding
Shea	Forward	Craven
Comerford	Forward	Ryan
Jarrett	Forward	Flood
Daly	Forward	Cunningham
Jansaue	Forward	Burns

Referee—Lawrence Riley.

CALIFORNIA AGAINST NEW YORK

Eastern and Western University Teams to Meet in Holidays.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The University of California football team will meet the Columbia 'Varsity eleven of New York in this city on Christmas and in Los Angeles on New Year's day.

The arrangements, which had nearly been completed for Columbia to play against Stanford University, fell through, but the Californians are assured that the eastern players will accept the terms they offer.

McCOY SAID TO HAVE MARRIED.

He Nor Margaret Cornelle Will Affirm or Deny the Rumor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—According to a dispatch from London it is reported that Charles ("Kid") McCoy and Margaret Cornelle, the music hall singer, were married early this week. Neither will affirm nor deny the rumor.

McCoy says that he has three fights in prospect and will perhaps announce them next week. He does not specify with whom they are to be.

SPORTING NEWS OF THE DAY BRIEFLY TOLD.

One hundred live birds will be trapped at Dupont Park Sunday morning for the match shoot between Dr. J. W. Smith and Alexander Mermod for the state championship. This cup has been on the shelf, as the conditions were such that few shooters cared to challenge the holder.

Dr. Smith won the cup originally. In order to challenge the holder the shooter would have to deposit $50, which went to the holder if he successfully defended the cup. As few shooters cared to risk losing $50 without a chance to win anything but the honor of holding the cup it has been on the shelf these many moons.

Alexander Mermod was the first shooter game enough to take a chance on losing the $50. He states that if he wins the trophy he will change the conditions so so that all shooters will have an opportunity to try for the honor. Saturday afternoon Charles Spencer and Henry Griesediedck shoot a 25-bird match for the Mermod cup.

Eugene Senseney did the best playing for the seniors in the handball game with the freshmen at Washington University, Friday. Senseney plays a very stiff game and it was mainly through his cleverness that the freshmen were defeated. Weiderhoidt and Griffen gave Senseney the best support.

Bookmakers at San Francisco are having smooth sailing these days. They have been winning almost every day of late. Friday five favorites fell by the wayside and it is estimated that the chalkers kept more than $35,000 of the money wagered. The heavy storm Friday morning made the track slushy and the mudlarks had everything their own way. Flatterer, the winner of the 2-year-old race, was quoted at 15 to 1 in the betting.

In a very exciting but rough game of hockey the seven representing the St. Louis University Alumni beat the team from the St. Louis Amateur Athletic Association at the Ice Palace Friday night by a score of 2 to 1.

Harry Kiely of the alumni was about the only man on either side who attempted to play the game as it should be played. His work was clean and clever. Although playing cover point he took the puck several times, and, passing his forwards, he dribbled it the full length of the ice. The other players, on both sides, resorted to a deal of rough work to carry their point. This made the game exciting, but not interesting from a scientific standpoint.

Only three contestants are left in the balkline billiard tournament that has been in progress in New York the past two weeks. Friday night Kellogg beat Billiter by a score of 200 to 284. Henrick, the New Yorker, beat Schmitt in an interesting game by the score of 300 to 253. Kellogg, Henrick and Paige are the lucky ones who still have a chance for the honors.

At the St. Louis Rowing Club Sunday some excellent sport is promised those who attend the regular stag party. The feature event on the programme will be a six-round bout between Jack Joachim and Arthur Hess for the amateur heavyweight championship of St. Louis.

Adam Kohl and McSweeney will meet in a four-round bout at 120 pounds. Lawrence Duvall and Andy Stevenson, two 145-pounders, are scheduled to clash in a four-round bout. Two clever 112-pounders, Frank Zacker and Z. Hammerslee, will box for four rounds. Patara and Schenk are expected to tip the scale at 120 pounds and then do battle for six rounds.

The Cappell Juniors will play the Mound City Juniors Sunday afternoon at Jefferson avenue and Madison street at 2 o'clock.

Many prominent hurlers of St. Louis were present at a meeting held Wednesday evening at 916 North Seventeenth street. An effort will be made to revive the sport in St. Louis. The hurlers present at the meeting laid plans for the formation of a St. Louis hurling club. Should this club be organized a team will be selected to compete with Chicago for the western championship. In 1896 St. Louis figured prominently in the hurling world as the Shamrock Club of this city won the western championship that year. The hurlers will meet at Forest Park Sunday afternoon to play a practice game.

Paddy Ryan, ex-champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, who lost the title when he met John L. Sullivan, died Friday at Green Island, New York. Ryan and Sullivan met in the battle that is now historic in Mississippi. Ryan won the championship title by defeating the veteran champion, Joe Goss, in a long battle. Ryan was big-headed and had many friends. Of late years he was employed in Albany. One daughter survives him.

Dr. J. W. Smith and Alex Mermod will not shoot a match for the state championship at Dupont Park Sunday morning. Dr. Smith says he will leave Saturday night, with Henry Conrades, Jr., for a week's hunt in Mississippi.

COCKED HAT BOWLERS

BLUE RIBBONS WON THE ODD FROM THE ROYALS.

THREE WON BY THE CENTURYS

Eagles Took the Odd Game From the Rialtos, and the Florissants Won From the O'Fallons.

Guy Fisher's 57 average was the feature of the match between the Blue Ribbons and Royals of the Druggists' Cocked Hat League on the Acme alleys. The Blue Ribbons won the odd game. Both fives bowled in good form, the winners averaging close to 51. Scores:

Blue Ribbons—Schneider, 44 2-5; Clark, 51 1-5; Jungk, 48 1-5; Fisher, 57; Linnewerth, 53 4-5. Team, 50 23-25.

Royals—Henselmeyer, 43 2-5; Haberbeck, 50 2-5; Schultz, 46 4-5; Schultz, 46 4-5; Lippelman, 54 1-5; Klein, 44 4-5. Team, 47 23-25.

Three games were won by the Centurys of the Oarsmen's Cocked Hat League in their set-to with the Mound Citys on the Crescent alleys. The Bick brothers bowled well for the winners. Score:

Centurys—D. Bick, 48 4-5; O. Thieme, 39 2-5; H. Harrer, 42; R. Bick, 48 3-5; W. Bick, 38 2-5. Team, 42 12-25.

Mound Citys—Landzettel, 41 3-5; Surig, 34 1-5; Beckman, 40 3-5; Schmitthausler, 41 4-5; Kleybecker, 45 3-5. Team, 40 19-25.

Exee's Eagles of the Mound City League annexed the odd game in their match with the Rialtos on the Crescent alleys. Brunswick and Exee topped the winners, while Niedringhaus and Michaels excelled for the losers:

Eagles—Brunswick, 53 3-5; Miles, 47 3-5; Recker, 43; Berglund, 44 2-5; Exee, 51 3-5 Total, 48 1-25.

Rialtos—Wessels, 45 4-5; Becker, 46; Bright, 44; Michaels, 49 4-5; Niedringhaus, 50. Total, 47 3-25.

W. Schildmann was the only participant to pass the 40 mark in the match between the Florissants and O'Fallons of the North End League. The Florissants won the odd game. Score:

Florissants—Lutz, 37 2-5; Stickford, 38; Kolde, 39 1-5; Naes, 30 1-5; Brooks, 31 1-5. Total, 37 4-25.

O'Fallons—Sick, 38; Biest, 34 2-5; Holt, 34 3-5; E. Schildmann, 38 3-5; W. Schildmann, 41 1-5. Total, 37 9-25.

McNamara's total of 64 in the fourth game saved the Mound Citys of the North End League from a shut-out in their match with the Pechers. All of the other games were easy for the Pechers. Score:

Pechers—Fuelcher, 40; Mann, 42 3-5; Pechet, 45 4-5; Hein, 36 1-5; Cobb, 39 3-5. Total, 40 21-25.

Mound Citys—Courtney, 31 2-5; Rebeck, 32 2-5; Ohearn, 37 2-5; Zemblidge, 28; McNamara, 47 1-5. Total, 35 7-25.

Alpha Council No. 2 of the Legion of Honor League won the odd game from Empire No. 11. Decker and David led their sides. Score:

Alpha—Barnard, 26 1-5; Evans, 34 2-5; Casey, 26 1-5; Rice, 29 2-5; Decker, 41 2-5. Totals, 31 15-25.

Empire No. 11—March, 31; Brown, 18 3-5; Schaefer, 27 1-5; Lightholder, 30 1-5; David, 48 2-5. Totals, 31 2-25.

Joachim's team of cocked hat bowlers from the St. Louis Club of the Oarsmen's Bowling League captured four of the games in their match with the Westerns. Joachim and Becker were high for their sides. Score:

St. Louis—Schmidt, 46 4-5; Jansen, 44 3-5; Meintz, 39 1-5; Lattner, 43 3-5; Joachim, 47 3-5. Totals, 44 9-25.

Westerns—Loecker, 33 4-5; Freitag, 29 1-5; Le Clerg, 40 3-5; Fath, 43 2-5; Becker, 49. Totals, 39 5-25.

The Manhattans of the St. Louis League won the odd game from the Roeders. Horn was the best for the winners and Michaels for the losers. Score:

Manhattans—Horn, 44 2-5; Berger, 41 1-5; Louda, 39 3-5; Moller, 44; Dressen, 35 4-5. Totals, 41.

Roeders—White, 38; Mougan, 38 3-5; Samuels, 42; Murphy, 42 3-5; Michaels, 45 1-5. Totals, 41 7-25.

The Marquettes of the St. Louis Tenpin League won two games from the Westerns. Kuehne and Menne carried off the honors. Score:

Marquettes—Lukens, 119 2-3; Beneke, 140; Grassmuck, 139 1-3; Kuehne, 166 1-3; Pabst, 147 1-3; team, 141 5-15.

Westerns—Heitz, 134 2-3; Sebastian, 149 1-3; Roser, 156 1-3; Menne, 161; Obert, 133 2-3; team, 146 5-15.

The Libertys and Reining Stars, two cocked hat teams, composed of North St. Louis boys, played a series of five games Thursday night on Roeder's alleys. The great work of Capt. Reining and Strunk was decidedly the feature of the game. Geist and Krause did the best work for the Libertys. Following are the scores:

Reining Stars—Reining, 31 2-5; Strunk, 45⅔; Pfarri, 38 4-5; Behan, 27⅔; O'Hearn, 43; team, 37 5-25.

Libertys—Schaub, 33 2-5; Forrest, 32 1-5; Geist, 38; Tschee, 33 2-5; Krause, 38; team, 35 1-12.

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It is understood the designer has had a full set of the working plans of the Columbia for a long time, and is, therefore, qualified to make a prediction.

Mr. Crowninshield is making the defender's plans at his own residence, and will deliver the frame plan to Mr. Lawley possibly next Monday. The lead keel, however, is expected to be in shape by Jan. 1. In laying down the yacht the mould loft at Lawley's will be used, and from there the work can be changed either to the boatshed, or, if it should so happen, to the Atlantic works' yard in East Boston, although this latter course may be as an expediency.

It is quite definitely learned that Capt. Watson has nothing to hinder his acceptance of an offer to sail the boat.

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The men have practically agreed upon the following conditions: The match to take place on or about Jan. 1, in Madison Square Gardon, in Greco-Roman style, two falls in three, for the world's championship. The strangle hold will be barred. The men will wrestle for a percentage of the gate receipts and a side wager. The details will be agreed on at Monday's meeting.

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THE QUEEN'S SHORTEST SPEECH

It Consisted of 25 Words Delivered on the Adjournment of Parliament for the Holidays.

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"My Lords and Gentlemen: I thank you for the liberal provision you have made for the expenses incurred by the operations of my armies in South Africa and China."

The proceedings today in the House of Commons were a repetition in miniature of the debates of the brief session. The ministers were heckled, the war was virulently denounced and Mr. Chamberlain was further attacked. The war funds were finally voted after the secretary of state for war, Mr. Broderick, had given assurance that the government, during recess, would cordially co-operate with Gen. Kitchener in an endeavor to end the war.

WEDDED THE OTHER COUNTESS

Vienna Society Astoned at Marriage of Dr. Feldman to the Countess Taafe.

VIENNA, Dec. 15.—Vienna society was greatly astonished to read the announcement that the marriage of Dr. Jacob Feldman to Countess Helene Taaffee took place at Barcza last Saturday. The affair has been the subject of so much talk lately and of so many contradictions that everyone was taken by surprise.

A few weeks ago the engagement of Dr. Feldmann to the Countess Luise Taaffe, sister of the bride, was announced, but was again contradicted. The bride was formerly married to Baron Richard Von Maftencloit. Dr. Feldmann, who is a Hebrew, will be baptised shortly.

GASOLINE KILLLED SIX INDIANS

They Found a Tank of It and Supposing It Was Kerosene Tried to Use It.

CANNONBALL, N. D., Dec. 15.—An Indian family, consisting of father, mother and four children, were burned to death last night by the explosion of a can of gasoline. Another family of father, mother and one child, are frightfully burned and will probably die.

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BOOKKEEPER—Experienced bookkeeper, young man, would like several hours' work after 5 p. m.; will work reasonable. Ad. N 19, Post-Dispatch.

CARPET LAYER—Sit. wanted by carpet layer and cutter; eight years' experience. M. Rosenthal, 1805 Olive st.

COOK—Sit. wanted by a good meat and pastry cook; references exchanged. Address, stating wages, Joseph Jenkins, St. Charles, Mo., P. O. box 702.

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COOK—Wants sit.; well recommended; 15 years' experience; fancy or plain bill of fare; moderate salary. Ad. W 16, Post-Dispatch.

COOK—Wishes sit.; very economical and experienced; best references; have all tools; strictly sober. Ad. W 12, Post-Dispatch.

COOK—Competent chef desires charge of good kitchen; economical buyer; strictly up-to-date; all details. Ad. W 18, Post-Dispatch.

COUPLE—Sits. wanted as cook and head waiter, by white couple; will take full charge of restaurant or hotel. Ad. G 2, Post-Dispatch.

DRIVER—Sit. wanted by young man to drive wagon or work around house. Ad. R 159, Post-Dispatch.

DRIVER—Sit. wanted by young man with team, either road or covered wagon; wants hauling to do. 4329 Lucky st.

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ENGINEER—Licensed engineer, open to take position; 15 years' experience; good city references. Ad. K 19, Post-Dispatch.

FIREMAN—Sit. wanted as fireman, assistant engineer, steam fitter or repairman. Ad. H 3, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Sit. wanted by young colored man of 30; honest and willing to work at anything; has had 15 years' experience as clerk in dry goods and groceries; good refs. Apply 3913 Finney av.

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MAN—Sit. wanted by young man as bookkeeper, salesman or collector; moderate salary; best references. Ad. T 27, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Young man would like to learn brokerage business; has had four years' experience in wholesale grocery house; have good references. Ad. A 15, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Sober, energetic young man desires a position; quick at figures; had some office experience; can't call only before 7, after 6 and between 11 and 12. Ad. O 25, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Sit. wanted by elderly man to care for horse, cow, furnace, etc.; experience and reference. Address Chas. McGovern, 2001 Clark av.

MAN—Sit. wanted by middle-aged German man to work around house or take care of horse. 1423 N. 24th st.

MAN—Sit. wanted to run furnace, do chores for board and good room, with small wages; reference. Call 616 Beaumont st.

MAN—Position wanted by colored man; allround cook, waiter and porter. Address 2012 Walnut.

MAN—Young man desires work mornings and evenings in home for board; has references. Ad. Y 11, Post-Dispatch.

MAN—Sit. wanted by young man, 22; strong, willing to work at anything. A. Rosenthal, 1805 Olive st.

MAN—Situation wanted by German; take care of horses, cows and furnace; best references. Ad. H 17, Post-Dispatch.

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SALESMAN—Experienced salesman would like to handle some small article. Ad. L 15, Post-Dispatch.

SALESMAN—Experienced salesman, best of references, wishes to represent responsible firm in St. Louis or nearby territory. Ad. D 87, Post-Dispatch.

HELP WANTED—MALE.

BARBER WANTED—A good barber, for Saturday and Sunday. 1210 N. Jefferson av.

BARBER WANTED—A barber; with or without tools. 108 N. 7th st.

BARBER WANTED—A good barber; steady if suited. 1427 Franklin av.

BARBER WANTED—A barber. Call at 307 S. Broadway.

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BARBER WANTED—Barber, for Saturday and Sunday. 2416 N. Broadway.

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HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl to do general housework; family three; prompt, good wages; references. 514 West End pl.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. Apply 1322A Olive st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. Apply at 1454 S. Grand av.

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HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 3001 S. Broadway. Kuentzler.

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HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 3406 Bell.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 4161 McPherson av.

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HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; four in family. 5082 Washington av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Housegirl; German or Swede; good wages. Apply 4131 Washington av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Reliable colored girl or woman; general housework; no washing. 4033 Cook av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 2831 Eads av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Good girl for general housework, German preferred. 2918 Lucas av.

LADIES WANTED—To learn hairdressing and manicuring; only four weeks required by our method; positions given graduates at $10 to $12 weekly; can earn scholarship if desired. Call or write Moler College, 1141 Market st.

OVERALL MAKERS WANTED—Expert overall and pantsmakers; our prices beat everybody's. Jokerst Mfg. Co., 12th and Franklin.

OVERALLMAKER WANTED—Experienced operator on overalls and jackets, who can instruct new hands when necessary. Home-Made Mfg. Co., Litchfield, Ill.

STENOGRAPHERS WANTED—Elegant practice room and employment department; free, free, free. Century bldg. The Oliver Typewriter Co.

STENOGRAPHER WANTED—Lady stenographer. Address fully, with reference, R 17, Post-Dispatch.

STITCHERS WANTED—Stitchers and vampers on men's work. Home-Made Shoe Co., 1520 N. 13th.

WETNURSE WANTED—A wetnurse. Call or ad. Mrs. Courtney, 4332 N. 11th st.

WOMAN WANTED—Good colored woman or girl for light housework; no cooking. Call 4057 McPherson av.

LAUNDRY HELP WANTED.

14 words or less, 20 cents.

FINISHERS WANTED—Finishers, on new work. Wright, Greene & Wilkinson's Laundry, 825 N. 8th st.

GIRL WANTED—Experienced girl to run Stone racer bosom machine; also girl for body machine. Apply at the Leader Laundry Co., 2315-17 Texas av.

LOST AND FOUND.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

Lost.

BOOK—Lost, book, "Science and Health," on Blaine or Grand avs. Return to 3676 Blaine av., and receive $1 reward.

DOG—Found, red Irish setter bitch, with colla. on; young dog. 3581 S. Broadway.

DOG—Lost, small brown dog, Scotch terrier; name Price; good reward. 1536 Morgan st., store.

DOG—Lost, around De Hodiamont, female English setter; 7 months old; heavily marked. Please return to L. J. Sharp, Hillside, Mo.

LOCKET—Lost, a gold locket containing picture of lady; marked R. W. E. on one side and 1897 on reverse side. Please return to or notify R. W. Eastlick, 4600A Delmar; reward.

MEDAL—Lost, a gold medal, at Concordia Hall or on Chouteau av.; reward if returned to T. Burkert, 2205 Eugenia st.

PIN—Lost, Phi pin of St. Louis College Pharmacy. Return for reward. Terminal Hotel Pharmacy.

PIN—Lost, four-leaf clover pin; round gold case; glass front; reward. Sidney Simons, Planters' Hotel.

POCKETBOOK—Lost, pocketbook, with considerable sum of money; 17th to 18th on Market st.; Friday, 8:30 p. m.; half contents for reward if returned to 313 Olive st.

POCKETBOOK—Lost, south side on Carroll, between Broadway and 9th, pocketbook. Return to 1602 S. 10th st. and receive reward.

SPECTACLES—Lost, gold spectacles, 22d, between Dodier and Madison sts. Return to Von der Ahe, 2224 Madison; reward.

BUSINESS FOR SALE.

14 words or less, 20 cents.

LOCKSMITH SHOP—For sale, locksmith shop. Apply 312 N. 10th st.

RESTAURANT—For sale, restaurant; good business; price $200; part cash; reasons, poor health. 1235 N. Broadway.

SALOON—For sale, saloon, 111 N. 6th st. and 7th and Chestnut sts., with 35 rooms. Wm. Vogel, 623 Chestnut st.

THEATRICAL.

14 words or less, 20 cents.

THEATRICAL—Wanted, two musicians; clarionet and trombone players; steady job; cigar makers; union wages. R. Williams, 3?9 Vista av. London contains more Irishmen than Dublin, more Scotchmen than Edinburgh and more Jews than Palestine.

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14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

ALL KINDS of household goods bought; entire furnishings of houses wanted; full value. Jones & Co., 1143 Olive. Bell, Main, 2501A.

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HOUSEKEEPERS—Highest cash prices realized for furniture, carpets, pianos, etc., of houses or fla's; cash advances; estimates free. Postal or phone C 896. R. U. Leonori, Jr., & Co., 1219-21 Olive.

WILL pay cash for complete furniture and outfit of a flat or residence; or will buy a nice lot household furniture. Address O. Berg, 2122A Madison st.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR SALE.

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FURNITURE—For sale, heating stoves, cook stoves, ranges, new and used furniture; misfit carpets, etc. N. Y. Storage Co., 2212-2219 Wash.

Stoves, Ranges, Etc.

STOVES—For sale, base burner and small soft coal heating stove; call Sunday. 6062 West Cabanne.

Sewing Machines.

ALL kinds of Wilcox & Gibbs and Singer automatic mach.; other different makes; ½ price; repairing, needles, parts. G. W. D. & Co., 203 N. 11th st.

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14 Words or Less 20 Cents.

ATTEND the select parties of the Eclipse Dancing Academy, Uhrig's Cave, Wednesday evening, Sunday afternoon and evening; lessons Tuesday and Friday evenings; grand square taught Thursday evening free.

ATTEND Prof. De Honey's select receptions every Tuesday and Sunday eve. Academy, 18th and Olive sts.

ENJOY yourself at Hashagen's Dancing Academy, 3300 Easton; receptions every Thursday, Saturday, Sunday evening.

MISS HARDY'S classes open to beginners every Monday and Saturday evening; informal Thursday evening; private lessons day or evening; hall for rent, parties, weddings. 911 N. Vandeventer.

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WE have 1000 typewriters for rent or sale; call or mail or telephone your order; satisfaction guaranteed. The Typewriter Exchange, 208 N. 9th st., St. Louis, Mo.

PATENTS AND PENSIONS.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

PATENTS, PENSIONS; advice free. H. D. & S. O'Brien, 421 Chestnut st.; notary public.

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14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

A DIVORCE secured promptly by reliable attorney. Law Office, 1002 Olive st., 2d floor.

DIVORCES obtained promptly; moderate charges; collections made; damage cases handled; advice free. Central Law Bureau, 118 N. 8th st.

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AUBERT AV., 726 (Between Delmar and Suburban ...)—Elegantly furnished room.

BROADWAY, 513 S.—Nice, clean furnished rooms, with good heating stoves; $1.25, $1.50 a week.

BROADWAY, 107 N.—20 rooms, 25c; 15 rooms, 50c; week'y rates correspond.

CHESTNUT ST., 623—Furnished rooms for rent. William Vogel.

CHOUTEAU AV., 1106—Two large connecting rooms; furnished complete for housekeeping; $2.50 week.

COMPTON AV., 1023—Neatly furnished front rooms, all onveniences, for gents.

ELEVENTH ST., 6 S.—Nicely furnished rooms for light housekeeping and roomers; $1 week up.

EUGENIA ST., 2133—Furnished rooms; light housekeeping; gas stove and laundry.

GAMBLE ST., 2936—2d story front room; also single room; no other roomers.

HOWARD ST., 2309—3 rooms, 2d floor front; entrance front; $8, with water.

JEFFERSON AV., 1309A N.—Nice front room; private family; gaslight.

LEFFINGWELL AV., 1314 N.—Nicely furnished room; private family; bath, $1.50 per week.

OLIVE ST., 1519—Elegantly furnished and clean, comfortable 2d-story front room; heat, bath, $4.

OLIVE ST., 1528—Two connecting rooms, housekeeping, back parlor, $2.50, with fire.

OLIVE ST., 1320—Opposite Exposition; two nicely furnished rooms; bath, incandescent lights, filter; reasonable.

OLIVE ST., 2641—Newly furnished front rooms; other rooms for light housekeeping.

PAPIN ST., 1430—Nicely furnished front and connecting rooms, for light housekeeping.

PAPIN ST., 1815—Furnished room; second floor; for rent.

PARK AV., 2820—Four lovely rooms, first floor; newly decorated; rent reduced; $14.50; open.

PINE ST., 3226—Nicely furnished room; furnace heat, gas, bath; private family.

PINE ST., 1115—Nicely furnished rooms for gentlemen only.

PINE ST., 1006A—Nicely furnished room; also hall room.

PINE ST., 822—Neatly furnished front rooms; from $1.50 per week up.

PINE ST., 2638—Rooms, comfortably furnished; from $1.50 up per week, for housekeeping.

SHERIDAN AV., 2801A—Large, nicely furnished room for housekeeping; also small room; rent reasonable.

SIXTEENTH ST., 1439 N.—Two connecting completely furnished housekeeping rooms, bedroom and kitchen, with cook stove, water, etc.; $2.50 week.

TENTH ST., 1033 S. (between Chouteau and Hickory)—Furnished room for housekeeping.

WASH ST., 1806—Rooms, furnished for light housekeeping; cook stove; kitchen utensils; cheap.

WASH ST., 1807—Nicely furnished rooms for light housekeeping; all conveniences.

WASH ST., 1802—Rooms at $2 a week, and hall room, $1 a week, with hot bath.

WASHINGTON AV., 2930—Nice, furnished room; 2d floor; gas, hot bath.

WASHINGTON AV., 2622—Two furnished rooms; housekeeping; $3; single room, $1; filtered water, hot bath, furnace.

WASHINGTON AV., 1217—Large, well furnished back rooms; housekeeping; conveniences; reas.

WASHINGTON AV., 1210—Nicely furnished rooms for light housekeeping and roomers; $1 week up.

WASHINGTON AV., 3512—Nicely furnished front room; modern conveniences.

WASHINGTON AV., 1805—Nicely furnished rooms; first and 2d floors; all conveniences.

WASHINGTON AV., 2930—Nicely furnished front and back parlors for 4 gentlemen; hot bath.

WASHINGTON AV., 3512—Front room; nicely furnished; modern conveniences.

WASHINGTON AV., 1516—Nice second-story front; also small room; furnace heat.

WASHINGTON AV., 1523—Connecting rooms for housekeeping; also first-floor front, with cook stove, from $1 to $1 25.

WASHINGTON AV., 1527—Second-story front, $2.50 and $3 month; fire, hot water; housekeeping rooms, $2.50.

WASHINGTON AV., 2607½—Nicely furnished room for light housekeeping or two gents; bath.

WASHINGTON AV., 2930—Two neatly furnished rooms on 3d floor; terms reasonable.

ROOMS WITH BOARD.

14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

COLLINSVILLE AV., 406A (East St. Louis, Ill.)—Nicely furnished front room, with board; heat, bath.

DICKSON ST., 2905—Well furnished room, with board, hot bath, gas, furnace heat; $4 week for one or $7 for two.

LOCUST ST., 2630—Well furnished rooms; 1st-class board; heated.

LOCUST ST., 2807—Large, sunny second-story front, with alcove, furnace heat; good table.

LOCUST ST., 2630—Well furnished rooms, with first-class board; heated.

LUCAS AV., 3229—Rooms with board; also day board.

OLIVE ST., 2120—Nicely furnished front and other rooms; gas, bath; with or without board.

PINE ST., 3134—Nicely furnished room; one or two Jewish gentlemen; with or without breakfast; gas, bath, heat.

TWELFTH ST., 2300 S.—Nicely furnished rooms, with or without board; suitable for housekeeping.

WASHINGTON AV., 3328—Furnished rooms, with first-class board; fire and bath; $4 weekly.

WASHINGTON AV., 3420—2 newly furnished rooms, on 2d floor, with board; best service.

WEST BELLE PL., 4190—Rooms with board; first-class in every particular; references.

ROOMMATES WANTED.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

ROOMMATE WANTED—Lady roommate; reasonable to one employed; comfortable room. 416 N. Leffingwell av.

FURNISHED FLATS WANTED.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

FLAT WANTED—Furnished flat; must be centrally located, furnished nice; not so particular as to site. Ad. B 12, Post-Dispatch.

FURNISHED HOUSES FOR RENT.

14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

BARTMER AV., 5755—Finely furnished 11-room house, after Jan. 1; references required.

FURNISHED HOUSE—8 rooms, nicely furnished; all convs.; for 6 months to family; no children; with references; terms reasonable; central West End location. Ad. P 17, Post-Dispatch.

FLATS FOR RENT.

14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

EWING AV., 408 S.—Nice five-room flat; newly papered; reasonable.

FLATS—Hamilton av., near Easton, three and five-room upper flats; gas, bath, etc.; all conveniences; $12 and $16. Isaac Jones, 909 Chestnut st.

JEFFERSON AV., 2229 S.—Three-room flat, first floor; w. c. Keeley & Co., 1113 Chestnut st.

LA SALLE ST., 2316—Three-room flat, second floor; $8.50. Keeley & Co., 1113 Chestnut st.

NINTH ST., 2506½ N.—Three large rooms; yards; only $9; water free; laundry and cellar.

ST. FERDINAND, 3902—Three-room flat; second floor; $8. Keeley & Co., 1113 Chestnut st.

WALNUT ST., 2305—4 rooms, 1st floor; rent $17. F. E. Niesen, 16 N. 7th st.

VANDEVENTER AV., 727-729—4 rooms; water and bath; $15 each. F. H. & O. B. Gerhart, 707 Chestnut st.

TO LET FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES.

14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

EASTON AV., 5503—Storeroom, 18x36; also 2 rooms in rear, 12x14; newly papered; rent, $14; water license paid.

FOR RENT—Space in the corner building, with power, heat and light. Willbrandt, 1507 Olive.

LUCAS AV., 2636—One large stable.

STORES—Only two stores left in the new and elegant building, n. e. corner Chouteau av. and Sarah st.; good location for tailoring, boots and shoes, furniture, bakery, millinery, meat market or racket store; terms very reasonable; agent on premises.

VANDEVENTER AV., 723—Large store, cheap rent to good tenant. F. H. & O. B. Gerhart, 707 Chestnut st.

DWELLINGS FOR RENT.

14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

CLARKSON PL., 810—8 rooms and bath, $35. James M. Carpenter & Co., 811 Chestnut st.

HOUSE—4 nice rooms; Hawk av. and Gratiot st.

KENNERLY AV., 4546—Four rooms and bath; $14; keys 3123 Easton av.

MUSICAL.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

MUSICAL—Washburn, mandolin or guitar is a nice Christmas present. Sold by Tony Placht, 1002 Olive st.; open until 9 p. m.

PIANOS tuned; best workmanship guaranteed, for $1.75, at Crawford's, 6th and Washington av.

PIANO—For sale; $65 buys fine piano; cost $375; stool and cover. 1414 N. 16th st.

RENT PIANOS—$1, $2, $3, $4 per month. Best assortment, lowest prices in town. F. G. Smith manufacturer, 1012 Olive st. A. E. Whitaker, manager.

HOLIDAY PIANOS.

$50 to $100 saved by buying from the manufacturer direct; elegant assortment, lowest prices; also big bargains in pianos that have been used; it will pay you to examine our stock and prices before purchasing; with three factories, and warerooms in nearly all the large cities, we can make you unequaled inducements; open evenings by appointment.

F. G. SMITH, Manufacturer, 1012 Olive st.
A. E. WHITAKER, Manager.

MISCELLANEOUS WANTS.

14 Words or Less 20 Cents.

CASH for uncancelled postal cards, postage stamps coins; premium coin list, 10c. St. Louis Stamp and Coin Co., 209 N. 8th st.

MANURE WANTED—A few loads of well-rotted manure. Apply 5218 S. Broadway.

TOBACCO TAGS

Wanted in any amount; highest cash price paid; bring or send them to 109 N. 6th st.

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE.

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A HANDSOME MUSTACHE by using Magis Mustache Cultivator; postpaid, $1 per tube; no printing on outside wrapper. James Elmes, Mfr., 3151 State, Chicago.

COAL—Best family, 9c per bu., in 50 bu lots, delivered. Edward Dorr, 2013 Market st.

CHRISTMAS TOOL BOXES—Not a toy; all steel tools, all sizes. Standard Tool Co., 823 N. 6th st., next door to Hilts'.

HOUSEBOAT—For sale, houseboat; 12x40. Inquire at Swan Nelson's saloon, Venice, Ill.

ICE BOX, ETC.—For sale, butcher's ice box and fixtures; must be sold at once. 3235 Easton av.

STEREOPTICON OUTFIT—For sale, stereopticon outfit; also slides. Boswell, 810 Olive st., room 502.

STOVE REPAIRS for any old stove. Send postal to Forshaw, 111 N. 12th st. Phone C 97.

WOOD—For sale, sawed oak and pine wood for heating, cooking and baker's use; cheapest place in city; orders promptly filled. 3030 S. Jefferson. Telephone, Sidney 333M.

STEAM CARPET CLEANING.

14 words or less, 20 cents.

CARPETS taken up, cleaned, made over and laid; lowest prices. Empire Steam Carpet Cleaning Co., 2123 Lucas av. Main 1131; Kinloch C966.

HORSES AND VEHICLES.

14 words or less, 20 cents.

Wanted.

HORSE WANTED—One good, sound, young blind horse, about 1300 or 1400 pounds. Apply Evens & Howard F. B. Co., 5200 Manchester av.

For Sale.

BUGGIES, ETC.—For sale, storm buggies, surreys, park wagons, grocer, baker, butcher, laundry, milk, peddler, undertaker, order and light advertising wagons; also a light truck spring stake wagon. John Tobinka, 1406 N. 7th st.

HORSES, ETC.—For sale, two good horses, wagon, harness, rubber tire runabout; good as new; cheap. 1904 Morgan st.

HORSE—For sale, a horse. Call at 4307 Manchester av.

HORSE—For sale, a good horse. Apply 4730 Kennerly av.

HORSE, ETC.—For sale, horse, harness and buggy; will sell separate; cheap. 223 Brooklyn st.

HORSES wintered; best care; no barbed wire; box stalls. Camden Case, 322 S. Broadway, or Ferguson.

ANIMALS.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

DOG—For sale, fine large English mastiff dog. 1111 Palm st.

BOOKS.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

BOOKS of all kinds bought and sold. Call or send address to Mills' Book Store, 607 Chestnut st.

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14 Words or Less, 30 Cents.

CLAIRVOYANT—Greatest European clairvoyant medium has permanently located here; gives trumpet sittings, slate writings in the light parlors. 1036 Vandeventer av.

RENOWNED clairvoyant, astrologer, reads this week for 50c at 4299 W. Finney av.

AUCTION SALES.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

AUCTION SALE of holiday goods; every lady that will present this ad will receive a handsome gold or silver souvenir at 710 Franklin av. L. Blumenkranz & Co., auctioneers.

OPTICIANS.

E. B. STRAUS, eye expert; gold spectacles, $2.50 up. Complicated cases a specialty; for 12 years at St. Louis Exposition. 723 Locust st.

LOANS ON PERSONAL PROPERTY.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

A PRIVATE party has money to loan on furniture and pianos; easy payments; proper and confidential treatment assured. 501 Chemical Bldg., 8th and Olive sts.

ABOUT loans on furniture, pianos or horses, see us; we loan at reasonable rates, without removal, to be paid back in small monthly payments, with discount if paid before due; mortgages not published; no publicity or inconvenience; we are the oldest and most liberal firm in city. Fidelity Brokerage Co., 914½ Olive st., room 1; telephone, B 434.

JOHN W. STALEY, 202 N. 9th, rooms 502-503, negotiates loans of $25 and upwards on personal property; low rates; terms to suit; confidential.

LOANS negotiated on furniture, pianos or any good personal property at 8 per cent per annum; confidential. Notary Public. R. 7, 813½ Chestnut st.

MECHANICS' FINANCE CO. lends money on furniture, pianos, sewing machines, etc., without removal; monthly payments; discount given if paid before due; business con. 904 Olive, r. 205, 2d fl.

MONEY ADVANCED FOR SALARIES—Salaried employes of good character can obtain accommodation at much less cost and embarrassment than has heretofore been possible by applying to John Mulholland, 511 Century Building.

MONEY furnished salaried people without security; easy payments. Tolman, room 801, 211 N. 7th st.

STORAGE.

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ABSOLUTELY FIREPROOF STORAGE. — New warehouse, Grand and Laclede avs.; for safe-keeping of furniture, pianos, pictures, trunks boxes, etc.; careful moving, packing, shipping etc.; money advanced; get our rates; phone C967 R. U. LEONORI, JR., & CO., 1219-21 Olive st.

AMERICAN STORAGE AND MOVING CO., 2315 Olive—Moving, packing, shipping; store in separate rooms. Tel. Main 2531A. W. H. Langdale, president.

BONDED warehouse, Henry C. Wiebe Storage and Moving Co., 1812 to 1816 Franklin av. Money advanced when desired. Kinloch C 963.

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SOUTHSIDE STORAGE & MOVING CO., 1901 to 1905 Sidney st.; telephone, Sidney 233.

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Branch office, 1008 Pine st.
Phones—Bell, Main 1174 and Main 263. Kinloch, C 942.

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14 Words or Less, 30 Cents.

All advertisements under Personal are accepted subject to revision or rejection and return of amount paid.

PERSONAL—Full dress suits to rent at 616 Olive st.

PERSONAL—You can buy clothing on part payments at 616 Olive st.

PERSONAL—Marry; get December issue matrimonial paper; new list; terms; reduced rates; personal introductions; prompt service. Drake's, 155 Washington st., Chicago.

PERSONAL SUNDRIES.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

A DIVORCE secured promptly by competent and reliable attorney in business in the city for several years; liberal terms. Attorney, law office, 1002 Olive st., second floor.

A FREE treatment dispensary for private diseases, sores, discharges, etc., either sex. 107 N. 9th st.

A THOUSAND business cards for $1. H. B. Croie & Co., Quick Printers, 416 N. 7th st.

CONFINEMENT cases taken; part pay in work if desired; private seclusion; consultation and trial treatment and adopting babies free; treats irregularities. Try my regulator. Best of medical care and nursing. Get my terms. Written guarantee for all cases. Call or write. All mail promptly answered. Patients met at station or boat in my vehicle. Mrs. Dr. Murphy, 2123 and 2125 Olive st. Kinloch phone 831 C.

CONFINEMENT CASES—Mrs. Dr. Murphy takes part pay in work. 2125 Olive st.

DR. ELLA ALLEN, Female Specialist; 18 years' successful experience; perfect seclusion during confinement; only private, 1st-class, reliable, incorporated home; only home having state license and charter to prove its reliability; those dissatisfied elsewhere especially invited; positively the best location, accommodations and medical skill in this city. 2908 Olive st.

DR. MARY ARTHUR receives during confinement; trained nursing; take part pay in work; infants adopted free; ladies in trouble call or write. 2911 Morgan st.

DR. MERWIN, 2233 Olive st., treats all ladies' troubles.

DREAM BOOK tells future, love affairs, business prospects, etc.; sent any ad. for 20c. Reliable Book Co., 1104 Market st., St. Louis.

DR. MARY MURPHY, treats irregularities; guaranteed trial treatment and consultation free; confinement and board; reasonable. 2123 and 2125 Olive st.

DR. ANNIE NEWLAND, 2741 Olive st.; private home for ladies before and during confinement; the oldest and only reliable lying-in institution in St. Louis; established over 40 years; perfect seclusion for ladies; superior medical attention; trained nursing, motherly care and home comforts; absolute protection and confidence maintained; respectable homes found for infants free; terms for board, $3 to $5 per week, according to location of room; part payment taken in work; irregularities; guaranteed results or no charges; consultation and advice free; ladies in trouble call or write; patients met at train.

DR. MARY ARTHUR, 2911 Morgan st.; ladies, if you want a friend and first-class medical adviser and graduate in all the ills known to womankind, consult me at once in my modernly equipped office; irregularities positively removed at little cost; free consultation and examination at sanitarium.

HELIO asthma cure; positively cures asthma; one package convinces you of this fact; taken internally; the only treatment for asthma. Helio Remedy Co., box 112, Mount Washington, O.

LADIES in trouble will not regret calling at T. C. Bachman's, 1719 S. Jefferson av.; terms reas.

LADIES—If in trouble, save time and money by calling at 2929 Franklin av.

LADIES—My regulator never fails; one complete treatment free. Mrs. E. Starr, 2929 Franklin av.

LADIES in trouble call at private home before and during confinement. Mrs. Dr. Meyers, 112 S. 14th.

LADIES—I positively guarantee that Golden Seal will relieve the longest and most obstinate case of delayed monthly periods without pain, in three to five hours; sent secure from observation, $1. 2741 Olive st.

LADIES in trouble will not regret calling on Mrs. Hollen; lowest terms. 1900 Wash st.

LADIES, if you want the only real Golden Seal Monthly Regulator, price $1 per box, that will positively relieve in from 3 to 5 hours, you must go to its only agent, who has its seal stamped thereon by, viz., The Golden Seal Medical Co., 2911 Morgan st.

MIDWIFE—Receives during confinement; home found for infants, ladies in trouble call. 3426 S. Jefferson av.

MRS. DR. HOGAN receives before and during confinement; infants adopted if desired; physician and midwife in attendance. Call or write 2215 Olive st.

MRS. BRIDGES, ladies' doctor; always successful; may be consulted at 3103 Olive; ladies won't regret calling. Telephone, Kinloch, C 729.

MRS. L. HOTSON 2201 and 2203 Olive st.; leading female specialist; the only reliable lying-in institute in the city; if dissatisfied elsewhere, come and see my place and compare it with other places; perfect seclusion during confinement; skilled medical attention; absolute protection and safety assured; motherly care, home comforts; infants adopted; irregularities; success guaranteed or no charges; charges reasonable in all cases; consultation and information free; don't be deceived by alluring advertisements of incompetent and unscrupulous persons; go to the oldest, largest and most reliable institution in the city, where you will be treated well; where satisfaction is guaranteed or money refunded; ladies in trouble call or write; patients met at station.

MACHINERY.

14 Words or Less, 10 Cents.

For Sale.

Electric Motors and Dynamos
To rent at reasonable rates.
ROSE ELECTRIC CO.,
204 South Third st.

EDUCATIONAL.

14 words or less, 20 cents.

BOXING CLUB, centrally located; members wanted; instruction given; no slugging. Ad. P 2, Post-Dispatch.

PRIVATE lessons, shorthand, typewriting exclusively; full course, $25; positions secured. Barnes, 2645 Washington av.

STOVE REPAIRS

For all stoves and ranges.
A. G. BRAUER, 316 and 318 N. 3d st.

FARMS FOR SALE.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

FARM—For sale, a 25-acre fruit and poultry farm, in Jefferson County, Illinois, with a 2-room frame house, frame barn, good well; close to school and church, on public road, 70 miles from St. Louis, 3 miles to good railroad town; young orchard; price, $600, $200 down, balance $200 yearly; no trade. Ad. W. G. Osborn, Woodlawn, Ill.

LAND—$70 will buy 40 acres good farming land in Missouri; easy payments; send for our list. Williams Bros., Arkansas City, Kan.

MONEY WANTED.

14 Words or Less, 20 Cents.

MONEY WANTED—$42,000 at 6 per cent, 2 years or more, on a well equipped and paying cattle ranch. Ad. F 74, Post-Dispatch.

TO LET FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES

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FOR RENT.

JANUARY 1st.
...STORE...
SOUTHEAST COR. OLIVE AND TENTH.
50x100.
JOHN S. BLAKE & BRO.,
LINCOLN TRUST BLDG.

CARLETON BUILDING,

SIXTH AND OLIVE.
It will pay you to have an office in the building with
World's Fair Headquarters.
Only a few offices left. See me at once.
JOHN C. HALL, Agent.

MUSIC HALL MEASURE

EXPOSITION BONDING BILL PASSED THE COUNCIL.

DIRECTORS MAY NOT ACCEPT IT

Theatrical, Operatic and Mercantile Entertainments in the Building Are Prohibited by the Bill.

The Exposition bonding bill, so amended as to prohibit the Exposition management from renting Music Hall for theatrical, operatic or mercantile purposes, was passed by the City Council Friday evening, after a spirited discussion.

Whether the ordinance will be accepted in the form in which it passed the council will depend on the action of the directors of the Exposition. The bill will become operative when its terms are accepted by the directors, and the acceptance must take place 30 days after the signing of the bill by the mayor. If the board of directors of the Exposition does not accept the measure, matters will remain as before, and the management will be left without the benefits of the bonding privilege and with no restrictions on the uses to which the building can be put.

In offering his amendment to the bill, Councilman Kratz claimed the Exposition management had been going into business not authorized by law, and that they should be restricted from further use of the buildings for theatrical or commercial purposes if they were to be granted the privileges sought in the bill.

Councilmen Carroll and Thuner made similar arguments against allowing what they termed "hoochee choochee" shows to be given in the Exposition building. Capt. Hodges took the other side of the question, declaring that no one but the theatrical managers of the city were interested in preventing the management from renting the hall for entertainment purposes. He cited the attitude of the theatrical managers in opposition to certain building laws as a reason why they should not receive special consideration from the city.

The section of the bill permitting the management to make alterations and repairs in the buildings was stricken out by motion of Mr. Richards, and the bill in its amended form bore little resemblance to the measure originally presented when this section was removed and the Kratz amendment added.

Messrs. Carroll, Gast, Gaus, Kratz, Meysenburg, Thuner, Wiggins and President Meier voted to send the amended bill to engrossment, and the negative votes were cast by Messrs. Hodges, Hoffman, Horton, Richards and Schnell.

AWAITING NEW ARMY BILL.

Department Anxious to Enlist Men Before Volunteers Go Out.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Gen. MacArthur has been instructed to prepare for the return of the volunteer troops so that they can be mustered out in this country by next June 30.

The administration hopes that the army reorganization bill will be passed by Congress before the holiday adjournment, so that measures may be taken at once toward restoring the army to its necessary strength in time for the mustering out of the volunteers.

It is clear, from reports received by the war department, that but few of the state troops will re-enlist, nearly all having declared that they desire no further service in the Philippines.

FATHER'S PLEA FOR SON.

Aged Connecticut Man Seeks to Save Condemned Soldier.

SOUTHINGTON, Conn., Dec. 15.—Bent with the weight of 71 years, J. P. Skinner has gone to Washington to beg President McKinley to spare the life of his son, Lyon Skinner, a private in the Forty-third Volunteers, now stationed in the Philippines. Young Skinner has been sentenced to be shot on Christmas morning for intoxication and neglect of duty.

He fell asleep while on picket duty and, as a result, the bolomen got a chance to surprise the American forces. The aged father, who is one of the leading farmers of Southington, is almost crazed by grief over the news which he received this morning. The message came from Gen. MacArthur, saying there was no hope for young Skinner. The young man enlisted at the outbreak of the Spanish war and has been in the army ever since.

MARBLE QUARRY PURCHASE.

Senator Proctor Acquires the Famous Carrara Plant in Italy.

ROME, Dec. 15.—At Leghorn, this week, representatives of United States Senator Redfield Proctor of Vermont are closing up a deal, through Gastaldi & Co. of Genoa, representing Alexander Konta, by which Senator Proctor takes over the entire Carrara quarries, which, with his Vermont possessions, will give the senator practical control of a large proportion of the marble output of the world.

The consolidation, it is believed, will result in reducing the cost of production. The price is understood to approximate $10,000,000.

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10 acres, Kern County, Cal.	700
10 acres, Berkley County, S. C.	800
320 acres, N. W. Territory, Canada	800
80 acres, Crawford County, Kas.	900
House and lot, Ballsville, Va.	1,500
320 acres, McPherson County, S. D.	1,000
40 acres, Vernon County, La.	1,000
200 acres, Rensselaer County, N. Y.	1,600
115 acres, Marion County, Fla.	1,700
40 acres, Clinton County, Ill.	2,300
151 acres, Sussex County, Del.	2,800
160 acres, Lincoln County, Neb.	3,300
135 acres, Scharie County, N. Y.	3,500
320 acres, La Moure County, N. D.	3,840
50 acres, La Porte County, Ind.	4,200
285 acres, Grant County, W. Va.	4,500
21 acres, Barnstable County, Mass.	5,000
80 acres, Scott County, Ind.	6,000
100 acres, Garfield County, Neb.	7,000
House and lot, Nothville, Mich.	7,000
200 acres, Wyoming County, W. Va.	8,000
70 acres, New Haven County, Conn.	10,000
200 acres, Monroe County, Mich.	[illegible]
1017 acres, Halifax County, Va.	[illegible]
1000 acres, Franklin County, N. Y.	[illegible]

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A DAILY RECORD of STOCKS AND MARKETS

BULL FORCES IN CONTROL

Stock Market Prices Forced to Higher Level.

RAILROAD STOCKS FEATURES

ENORMOUS TRADING AGAIN IN ATCHISON ISSUES.

Industrial Securities Sympathetically Affected by the Appreciation in Values of Railway Shares.

Conspicuously large buying in the New York stock market Saturday caused the strongest close which traders had witnessed in some time. Despite an associated bank statement showing heavy decreases in the loan and deposit items, the market forged upward at a surprising pace, and general buying of the railroads—high and low-priced issues—was the means of advancing many of those which heretofore have been among the less active stocks.

Assurances from large financiers that no money stringency need be feared was directly responsible for the rise in stock market quotations Saturday, and the increase in bullish sentiment is admitted, on all sides, to have come from this cause.

WALL STREET.

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The outburst of bullish enthusiasm here late yesterday afternoon on the more hopeful views regarding the immediate money conditions produced a favorable effect on the London market, and prices of Americans rose generally on excited dealings. The advance extended to a point in Erie common and first preferred, and 1¼ in St. Paul. The Eries were notable exceptions, falling sharply on profit-taking sales. The local market opened active, but failed to reflect the full measure of the gains effected in London. Some large blocks changed hands, including 5000 St. Paul, a like amount of Reading common, 4000 Atchison preferred and 3000 Atchison common. Top prices for the simultaneous sales made in these stocks were from ⅞ to 1¼ above yesterday's figures, with St. Paul the best gainer. Heaviness was noted in Sugar, Leather preferred, Amalgamated Copper and Southern Pacific.

Substantial gains were made here and there after the opening, but as a rule the market showed the effect of tremendous profit taking by the room traders. The decline was accelerated by the marked weakness in the steel stocks, Tennessee Coal reacting 1½, and Smelting and Steel and Wire a point. A few of the railways declined below yesterday's closing price, notably Wabash preferred, Southern preferred, Ontario & Western and the Eries. Scale buying orders were met in the grangers, and their rapid recovery caused a diminution of the pressure elsewhere. On the rebound the Baltimore & Ohios, Atchisons, Great Northern preferred and General Electric were prominent. There was a good demand for some of the minor low-priced stocks, particularly Des Moines & Fort Dodge, which sold up 2¼. At 11 o'clock the market was less active than at the opening, but prices were improving all around.

Changes in prices, narrow in the active quarter, but the market maintained a firm ton prior to publication of the bank statement. This exhibit was even more favorable than the confident assertions regarding it in yesterday afternoon's forecast, cash showing an increase of $6,328,300. The market made a ready response in the last half hour, the buying demand being most urgent in the Pacifics, Brooklyn Transit, Atchison and St. Paul, which advanced 1@2⅝. Great Northern preferred jumped 5 points and prices all around ruled mostly to the highest of the day. The market closed strong, with prices generally showing large improvement on the day.

New York Stock Market.

To Bennett Wasserman & Co.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A rampantly bullish London market for Americans was followed by equally exciting scenes on the Stock Exchange today and the market was again advanced, the closing prices today being in most cases the highest which have been seen this week. In a number of stocks record-breaking transactions were recorded and the market for the Vanderbilts and coalers again assumed the leadership over the rest of the list. Immense blocks of the Wabash, Reading and Union Pacific issues were taken, but no less were the sales in St. Paul and Northern Pacific, both of which touched the highest points of the year. In fine, it was an old-fashioned boom, and the ease with which prices were sent skyward was astonishing. There was good buying of Pennsylvania, New York Central, Baltimore & Ohio and Atchison shares, and in each of these there was a distinct reason for the advance, all tending toward unexpectedly favorable developments. The bank statement was a surprise to most people, but the market was very little affected by the profit-taking, which set in in the last quarter hour of business. Fractional changes occurred, but even then the net differences were overwhelmingly on the bull side. The money situation presented no new features, outside of the bank statement, and transactions were very large for a Saturday.

Closing Prices of Stocks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Closing stocks: Atchison, 42⅝; do pfd., 86⅝; A. S. & W., 45¼; do pfd., 88¼; American Tobacco, 109¾; American T. P. 50; American S. H., 31; B. R. T., 75¼; B. & O., 82¼; do pfd., 86; C. B. & Q., 138⅞; C. C. C., 68; C. F. & I., 52⅜; C. G. W., 16¾; C. S. 59⅛; Con. Tob., 36½; C. & O., 38½; C. & A., 40½; do pfd., 77½; D. R. G., 26; D. & H., 122; F. S., 53¼; do pfd., 78⅛; Electric, 171⅞; Glucose, 52½; I. C., 127; J. C., 145¾; L. & N., 84⅞; Leather, 13⅜; do pfd., 75; Manhattan, 110⅝; M. K. T. pfd., 40⅝; Missouri Pacific, 62¼; N. P., 76½; do pfd., 84½; N. Y. C., 143; Met. Ry., 168⅝; Pennsylvania, 143¼; Pacific Mail, 43½; Pullman, 200; People's Gas, 100⅝; Reading, 24¾; firsts, 68⅝; Rock Island, 117⅝; Rubber, 28⅛; Southern Pacific, 42⅜; St. Paul, 132⅛; Sugar, 126; T. C. I., 62⅝; U. P., 75; do pfd., 82⅜; W. U., 85⅛.

Weekly Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The weekly statement of averages of the associated banks shows:

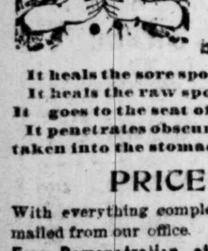
Loans	$792,766,000	*$13,682,500
Deposits	842,668,100	*18,376,600
Circulation	30,724,000	†116,100
Legal tenders	59,337,100	†1,179,200
Specie	157,655,300	*5,149,100
Total reserve	216,992,400	*3,969,900
Reserve requirements	210,677,625	*4,594,150
Surplus reserve	6,525,375	†624,250

*Decrease; †increase.

Wall Street Weekly Review.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The movement of prices in the stock market has been exceedingly varied during the week. Uneasiness over the money outlook and the actual constriction of the money supply has induced some speculative liquidation. But the continuance of aggressive organized buying of special stocks has sustained confidence in the values of securities and has aroused hopes of forthcoming relief for the money market from sources not disclosed to the public. The absorption of the Pennsylvania Coal Co. in the interest of the combined anthracite interests has been the ascertained fact, giving ground for the most conspicuous buying, and has led to the deduction that large plans were in execution for the consolidation of anthracite and trunk line interests. Bonds have continued in good demand.

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Liverpool Exchange to Close.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 15.—The Liverpool Grain Exchange will be closed Dec. 24, 25 and 26.

Bar Silver Quotations.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Bar silver firm at 64¼c per ounce.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Bar silver steady at 29 11-16d per ounce.

New York Stocks.

Reported daily by Whitaker & Hodgman, St. Louis, Mo.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.

	Sales.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
A. C. & F. Co.	......	22⅝	22½	22⅝	22½
do pfd	......	69	69½	69	69½
A. S. & W. com.	12,400	45	45½	44⅝	45
do pfd	300	88	88⅛	88	88
A. T. P. com.	8,000	49½	50	49½	50
Am. Tob. com.	14,900	108⅞	110	108⅞	109¾
Anaconda Min	700	47½	......	......	47½
A. T. & S. F.	51,400	41½	42⅝	41⅜	42⅝
do pfd	43,800	85¾	86¾	85¾	86⅝
B. & O. com	......	81¾	82½	81⅜	82¼
do 1st pfd	2,600	86	86⅞	85⅞	86¼
B. R. T.	21,400	74½	75⅞	73⅞	75¼
Canada Sou	1,300	59⅝	59½	59¼	59⅜
Ches. & Ohio	7,500	38⅜	38⅝	38⅛	38½
C. B. & Q	11,000	138¾	139	138⅝	138⅞
C. Grt. W. com.	6,700	16½	16¾	16¼	16¾
do pfd A	300	80¼	80½	80⅛	80½
do pfd B	300	40⅝	42¼	40	42¼
C. C. C. & St. L.	800	68	68⅝	68	68
Col. F. & I.	......	51⅞	52⅜	51⅞	52⅜
Col. S. 1st pfd.	......	45¼	45⅝	45¼	45⅞
do 2d pfd	......	19¼	19¼	19⅛	19¼
Cont. Tob. com.	2,600	36	36½	36	36½
do pfd	300	90	90¼	90	90¼
D. L. & W.	1,300	189	189½	188	189¾
Del. & Hudson.	4,600	120⅞	122	120¾	122
Erie com	12,000	20	20⅜	19⅞	19⅞
do pfd	8,800	51½	51⅞	50⅞	50⅞
Fed. Steel com.	9,100	52⅝	53½	52⅝	53¼
do pfd	1,700	77¼	78⅛	77½	78⅛
Gen. Electric	1,100	171½	172	171½	171¾
Ill. Central	2,800	126	127	126	127
Jersey Central	200	145¾	......	......	145¾
L. & N.	7,900	84⅝	85	84¼	84⅞
Lead com	500	21	21	20⅝	21
do pfd	......	93½	......	......	93½
Met. Trac. Co.	3,800	168¼	168¾	167¾	168¾
Mo. Pac.	13,600	62¼	62½	61⅝	62½
M. K. & T. pfd.	2,600	40	40½	40	40½
Man. El. Con.	10,400	110⅛	111	109⅞	110¾
Mobile & Ohio	......	44	44⅝	44	44
Nat. Bis. com.	3,500	37½	......	......	37½
North. Am	......	19⅞	......	......	19⅞
Nor. Pac. com	54,900	73¼	76½	73⅛	75⅞
do pfd	3,200	83⅝	84½	83¼	84½
Northwest com	200	169⅞	170	169⅞	170
New. Y. C.	4,700	142¾	143	142⅜	143
N. & W. com	1,600	43⅝	43⅝	43¼	43¼
do pfd	500	81⅜	82	81⅜	82
Ont. & West	19,300	29	29	28⅜	29
Pacific Mail	700	43½	43⅞	43½	43½
P. G. L. & C. Co	10,500	99¾	100⅝	99	100⅝
Phil. & R.	28,400	24⅜	25	23⅞	24⅜
do 1st pfd	36,700	68⅝	68⅞	68⅛	68⅝
Pullman Car	300	200	......	......	200
Rock Island	12,100	117¼	117⅞	117	117⅝
Rubber com.	2,800	29	29	27½	28⅛
do pfd	900	82	82	80	80
St. L. &S.W. com	700	16	......	......	16
do pfd	1,300	38⅜	38⅞	38⅜	38⅞
St. L. & S.F. com	......	20¼	20⅝	20⅛	20¼
do 1st pfd	......	75¼	75⅝	75¼	75½
do 2d pfd	......	50¼	50⅝	50¼	50⅝
Southern com.	29,300	18⅝	19⅛	18½	19
do pfd	9,900	69	69⅝	68½	69⅝
Steel H. com.	1,100	31⅛	31½	30⅞	31½
St. Paul com.	62,200	131	132⅛	130⅞	132⅛
Sugar com.	9,900	124	126¼	124	126
Tenn. C & Iron.	5,600	61⅞	62⅝	60⅛	62⅝
Texas Pacific	6,700	22⅛	22⅝	22⅛	22⅞
Union B. & P. pfd.	......	74⅝	......	......	74⅝
Union Pacific	41,200	73¼	75	73	75
do pfd	4,300	82¼	82⅜	82⅛	82⅜
U. S. Leather com	700	13½	13⅜	13½	13⅜
do pfd	......	75	75	74⅜	75
West. Un. Tel.	4,700	84⅝	85⅜	84½	85¼
Wabash com.	5,900	13⅛	13⅞	13⅛	13⅝
do pfd	12,600	26⅜	26⅞	26	26⅜
Inter. Paper com	300	22½	23	22½	23
Rep. Steel com.	900	16⅝	16⅞	16⅝	16⅞
do pfd	400	63⅝	64¼	63½	64¼
South. Pac.	21,800	42⅛	42⅜	42⅛	42⅜
C. & A. com.	2,800	40⅛	40½	40	40½
do pfd	2,000	77	77½	76⅝	77½

Total sales, 842,895 shares.

On the New York Curb.

By Wire to Bennett Wasserman & Co.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The closing prices on curb securities today were as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.
American Agricultural Chemical	26	27½
do preferred	78	79
American Bicycle	6½	7
do pfd	28	29½
do 5s	74	76
American Woolen Goods	21½	22
do pfd	76	76½
Bay State Gas	⅝	1
British Columbia Copper	20	20¼
British Exchequer 3s	98	99
Continental Tobacco debs.	104	106
Consolidated Rubber Tire	2	3
do preferred	25	32
Distilling Co. of America	6½	6¾
do pfd	25	25½
Electric Boat	24	26
do pfd	47	48
Electric Vehicle	18½	20
do pfd	35	45
Electric Pneumatic	2⅝	3
Flemington Coal & Coke	....	19
General Carriage	5	5¼
German Treasury 4s	100¼	100⅝
Havana Commercial	9½	10
do pfd	43	45
Illinois Transportation Co	⅞	1⅛
Interstate Oil	77	77½
National Gramophone	5	12
National Sugar preferred	103	106
New Amsterdam Gas 5s	108¼	109
New England Transportation Co	¾	4
N. Y. Electric Vehicle Trans. Co.	7	7½
Otis Elevator	27	29
do pfd	88	90
Royal Baking Powder pfd	94	95
Rubber Goods Mfg. Co.	30½	31½
do pfd	81	81½
St. Louis Transit	19¼	19¾
Standard Oil of New Jersey	802	808
Storage Power	11	13
Tennessee Copper	17	19
Teleg., Telep. & Cable Co. of Am.	3½	4
United Railways Co. of St. Louis	68¼	68¾
do 4 per cent bonds	86	86¼
United States Cast Iron Pipe	5	5½
do pfd	30½	31½
Union Copper	4⅞	5
Virginia Coal, Iron and Coke	3	5
do bonds	....	34

United States Bonds.

By Wire to Bennett Wasserman & Co.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—United States bond quotations today were at the full call:

	Bid.	Asked.
2s, when issued, registered	104½	105
2s, when issued, coupon	105	105½
3s, registered	110	110¾
3s, coupon	110	110½
Small bonds	109¼	110½
4s, registered	114⅝	115
4s, coupon	115⅝	116¼
4s, new, registered	138⅛	138⅝
4s, new, coupon	138⅛	138⅜
5s, registered	113¼	113⅝
5s, coupon	113¼	113⅝
District of Columbia 3.65s	124	....

New York Money and Exchange.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Close—Money on call nominal; prime mercantile paper, 4½@5½ per cent; sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.84½ for demand and at $4.80¾@4.80⅞ for 60 days; posted rates, $4.81½@4.82 and $4.85½@4.86; commercial bills, $4.80@4.80½; silver certificates, 64@65c; bar silver, 64c; Mexican dollars, 50¼c.

Government bonds strong; state bonds inactive; railroad bonds firm; governments strong; refunding 2s, reg., 104½; do coupon, 105; 3s, reg., 109⅞; do coupon, 110; new 4s, reg., 138¼; do coupon, 138¼; old 4s, reg., 114⅝; do coupon, 115⅝; 5s reg., 113¼; do coupon, 113¼.

Chicago Local Stocks.

Reported daily by Bennett Wasserman & Co., St. Louis, Mo.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.

STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close Yesterday.
Am. Linseed Oil.	8	8¼	8	8⅛	8
do pfd	38⅝	39	38⅝	39	39
Dia. Match	130	130¼	130	130¼	130
Nat. Biscuit	37⅛	37½	37⅛	37⅜	37¼
do pfd	91⅝	91⅝	91⅝	91⅞	91
Union Trac	9	10	8½	10	11¼
do pfd	47	47	40	43	50
West Chicago	99½	99½	98½	99	100½

The only other sale was made in Northwestern Elevated, at 29½.

Bid and asked prices at the close: Chicago City Railway, 253 b; Northwestern Elevated, 29 s; Central Union Telephone, 44½; Lake Street Elevated, 10 s; Union Loop Elevated, 89—90; North Chicago Street Railway, 194—198; Lake Street Elevated debenture 5s, 94—95; Metropolitan West Side Elevated, 31½—32; do preferred, 83—83½; American Strawboard, 33¼a.

Exchange.

A. G. Edwards & Sons Brokerage Co., exchange brokers for St. Louis banks, quote domestic exchange as follows:

	Bid.	Asked.
New York	Par	10c premium
Chicago	10c discount	Par
Cincinnati	25c discount	Par
Louisville	25c discount	Par
New Orleans	25c discount	Par

GRANITE STOCK WAS STRONGER

In All 4100 Shares of It Sold on 'Change Today.

Just 4100 shares of Granite-Bimetallic Mining stock changed hands at the St. Louis stock brokers' meeting Saturday. Right when all had been anticipating further unsteadiness in the stock a sudden hardening occurred, and instead of a decline happening, a sharp rise came. The price was moved up from $2.42½ to $2.57½ today, 3100 shares selling at the first-named figure, 100 at $2.45, 400 at $2.50, 200 at $2.55 and 100 at $2.57½, closing at this figure bid and $2.60 asked.

Contrary to general belief, traction stocks ruled a shade under Friday's quotations, Transit selling at 20, where 188 shares were sold, and at 19¾, at which quotation 100 went, and closing at 19½@19¾.

United Railways preferred sold at 69, 68¾, 68½ and 68¼. At the top 230 shares were sold, 25 at the next price and 75 each at the next notches, with 68 the best bid finally, and 68¼ asked.

United Railways 4s could have been bought at 86¼ at the close, but 86 was the best bid. At 86¼ $13,000 sold.

Suburban stock sold for the first day in many Saturday, 62 going at 90, and the buyer wanted more at the close, but 90¼ was again asked.

The 5s of the Suburban were bid for at 105.

Generally speaking, the local market closed quite firm.

Money Market Active.

Good collections and general excellent business conditions caused the day at St. Louis financial institutions to be a busy one. Checking and depositing were again on an enlarged scale, and the local discount market was slightly more active than is its wont on Saturday.

The clearing house statement for the week was issued today, and results show an increase of nearly $3,000,000 over the corresponding period last year. Manager Stoddart's weekly showing follows:

	Clearances.	Balances.
This day	$ 6,555,232	$ 634,006
This week	38,803,735	4,445,883
Last week	38,228,523	3,391,016
Same week last year	35,886,821	2,937,744

Sterling exchange rates were somewhat steadier, but there was little or no inquiry for it. Domestic rates ruled firm, with a fair demand.

LOCAL STOCK MARKET STRONGER

Better Demand for Syndicate Traction Stocks Caused Largest Advance of Year in Them.

A memorable week in the St. Louis security market was concluded Saturday. Not in the past six months was trading so large and fluctuations as wide, as proved to be the case last week. Interest naturally revolved about the syndicate traction securities, which are now, and promise for some time to be, the real features of the local stock and bond market. The demand for the various issues of the consolidated street railway lines of the city, both hre and in New York, was unprecedented. And, according to those best qualified to understand, there is no reason why the inquiry for them should not continue similar to that of last week.

Transactions, as hereinbefore mentioned, on the Stock Exchange in this city have never been as large as during the last six days. The apparently favorable results of the visit of the representatives of the Eastern banking firm which financed the local deal, together with the generally prosperous and encouraging condition of the property, have no doubt been responsible for the advance of 2 per cent in St. Louis transit shares, 4 per cent in United Railways preferred certificates and 2 per cent in United Railways 4s.

Should the demand witnessed last week for these securities continue, it is regarded as absolutely certain that a material accretion in the values of all will take place. We believe that, with further favorable developments, materially bettered prics are to be sn for th listings mentioned.

The only other traction system stock, St. Louis & Suburban, has been quite firm at 90@90½ throughout the week. Rather fewer offerings of the shares have been noted, and the bonds, too, have been very quiet.

Industrial stocks on the local market promise to come in for a good deal of attention before long. Considerable interest was evinced in these issues last week and a much stronger market for several of the favorites was the result.

Any strength which might have been seen in the mining stock group of the local stock exchange was dispelled by the rapid decline which took place in the price of Granite-Bimetallic Mining shares towards the end of th eweek. News of a "strike" on the property was followed by heavy liquidation of several large blocks of shares, and the price of the shares was depressed below the puotations for them in the last month.

Outside of this, however, the mining and lead stocks dealt i nlocally have tended quite strong.

Bank and trust company stocks were again at the high le evlof the year, and the usual excell nt demand for them once more prevailed.

The local situation generally appears very bright just now, and the continuance of these favorable conditions must inevitably lead to higher prices.

ST. LOUIS STOCKS AND BONDS.

Reported by Gaylord, Blessing & Co.

	Bid.	Asked.
American Exchange Bank	....	$203 00
National Bank of Commerce	....	267 00
Third National Bank	159 25	161 00
Lincoln Trust Co	....	163 00
St. Louis Trust Co	232 00	....
Mississippi Valley Trust Co.	306 50	....
St. Louis & Suburban Ry. 5s	105 00	....
do stocks	90 00	90 25
Meramec Railway 6s	....	116 25
United Railway 4s	86 00	86 25
do pfd	68 00	68 25
St. Louis Transit Co	19 50	19 75
Automatic Coupler	30 00	....
American Central Ins. Co	42 00	42 50
Missouri-Edison Electric 5s	....	96 00
Granite-Bimetallic	2 57½	2 60
Merchants' Bridge 6s	....	115 50
Merchants' Terminal 5s	113 25	114 25
Missouri Electric 2ds	....	120 00
St. Louis Brewing Assn. 6s	100 25	100 75
American-Nettie Mining	1 25	....

Sales—1700 Granite, $2.42½; 1500 do, $2.42½; 100 do, $2.42½; 100 do, $2.45; 200 do, $2.50; 200 do, $2.55; 100 do, $2.57½; 11,000 United Railway 4s, $86.25; 2000 do, $86.25; 5000 do, 86; 230 do pfd, $69; 25 do, $68.75; 125 do, $68.50; 25 do, $68.25; 188 Transit, $20; 100 do, $19.75; 62 Suburban, $90.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

Firm, Less Plentiful and in Moderate Demand.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Money was firm, less plentiful and in moderate demand today. Anticipations of an increased demand next week hardens discounts. Beyond a strong demand for gold in the open market for continental account and the inquiry from India, it would not be surprising that Germany is the most disquieting factor momentarily. But Berlin is not desirous of causing a rise in the English bank rate.

The business done on the Stock Exchange was small and the tone was generally good. Attention was almost entirely centered on Americans, in which there was much excitement. They opened above parity and advanced generally in sympathy with Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and the coal roads. The features were Atchisons and Norfolks. At the close prices were firm. Grand Trunks had a sympathetical tone. Rio Tintos were in better demand and Kaffirs were weak.

In the open market discounts throughout the week stuck close to 4, the working rate being a sixteenth and occasionally an eighth below the market. Nevertheless, there was a state of apprehension, fearing Wednesday that the bank rate would go to 5, short loans continuing easy, ranging from to 3 on call loans, with an advance to 3½ Thursday, owing to stock exchange payments.

The statist, discussing the money position, voices the fear that gold may be sent to aide Berlin over the year apart from which the Bank of England's resrve may be only 18,000,000 at the year and justifying a rise in the bank rate. Possibly the bank, desiring to avoid the advance, will permit gold to be withdrawn. It is said the bank has arranged to part with 500,000 in anticipation of the arrival of 500,000 from India.

The quantity of French money in London is very large. Were circumstances to arise which would cause it to be withdrawn an unpleasant position would be created. The indebtedness to the United States is also great. It is improbable, however, that New York will call for gold from London, a portion of the balance in the American treasury being available.

GENERAL ADVANCE IN LONDON.

Rush to Buy American Stocks on the English Bourse.

To Little.

London, 12:30 p. m.—L. & N. 84½, adv. ⅝; Reading 24⅝, adv. 1; N. Y. C. 142½, N. P. pfd. 83⅝, adv ⅝; Erie pfd. 50½, dec. ⅝; St. P. 131⅝, adv. 1½; I. C. 126, adv. ⅛; Penna. 143. Consols for money 97 7-16, unchanged; for the account 97 11-16, adv. ⅛.

London, 12:30 p. m.—Money 2½@3 per cent; rate of discount in open market for short bills, 3 15-16@4 per cent; three months' bills, 4 per cent.

London, 1:30 p. m.—London is wild. American railroads are booming. Readings are 1½ points up. Eries, New York Central and Pennsylvania up 1@1½. Foreigners will take 40,000 shares on balance.

London, 2 p. m.—Close: Atchison 42¼, adv. 1¼; Atch. pfd. 85⅛, adv. ½; B. & O. 81⅝, adv. ⅛; C. P. 87¼, adv. ¼; Denver pfd. 80⅞, I. C. 123½, dec. ⅜; L. & N. 84⅝, adv. ⅛; N. Y. C. 142½, N. & W. pfd. 81⅛, dec. ⅛; N. P. com. 73¾, adv. ⅞; N. P. pfd 83⅛, dec. ⅛; Penna. 143, adv. ⅛; Reading 1st 68⅞, adv. ⅞; Sou. Ry. pfd. 68⅛, dec. ⅝; St. P. 131⅝, adv. 1⅛; U. P. com. 73¾, adv. ⅝; U. P. pfd. 81⅝, dec. ⅜; So. Pac. 42⅞, adv. ⅛; Anac. 47¼, dec. ½. Consols 97⅝, unchanged.

Rates of Foreign Exchange.

Little & Bro. posted the following demand rates on foreign exchange:

London	485¼
Paris	517⅛
Berlin	95⅛
Vienna	20⅛
Antwerp	517½
Rome	542½
St. Petersburg	52
Amsterdam	40¼
Stockholm	27

FUTURES UNCHANGED

WHEAT PRICES REMAIN STEADY UNDER LIGHT TRADING.

MARKET NARROW AND DULL

Range Was Small, Futures Closing at the Figures of the Previous Close.

Wheat futures closed unchanged for the day, having been little affected by the three hours' session.

The corn and oats market showed a lower tendency, and were also in poor demand.

There was very little doing in the wheat market today, futures lacked life and were lightly traded in, the pit being most of the time almost empty, traders paying little attention to the market.

Futures early received some little attention from the bulls, who were able to advance the market a fraction or so, but the bull energy soon spent itself, and prices eased off a point, and then fluctuated through a narrow range, receiving little attention from traders.

The pre-holiday dullness was upon the market, and the pit found it impossible to throw it off.

Liverpool closed ⅛c up to ⅛d down for wheat. Paris closed unchanged for the day.

It was reported, but not confirmed, that 600 miles of grain and grass had been burned in a prairie fire in the region of Barnablanca, Argentine.

May wheat opened at 73@73⅛c, an advance of ⅛c over the previous close. The future then advanced to 73¼c and later fell back to 73c, and then began to fluctuate narrowly, working between 73c and 73⅛c.

Receipts of wheat at St. Louis today were 59,555 bu, compared with 22,353 bu same date last year. Of these 1224 sacks and 65 cars were local, compared with 268 sacks and 27 cars same date last year.

Receipts of wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth today were 412 cars, as compared with 349 cars same date last year.

Receipts of wheat at primary points today were 662,564 bu, as compared with 613,000 bu same date last year.

Shipments, 223,330 bu, compared with 215,000 bu same date last year.

Corn Was Dull and Narrow.

The corn market today was even duller and narrower than the wheat, after the opening no sales being made until the day was nearly over.

Dec. was offered at 35c and May sold at 35⅝c.

Liverpool closed unchanged for the coarse grain.

Receipts of corn at St. Louis today were 123,025 bu, compared with 52,000 bu same date last year. Of these 250 sacks and 94 cars were local, compared with 53 cars same date last year.

Receipts of corn at primary points today were 822,516 bu, as compared with 536,000 bu same date last year.

Shipments, 149,570 bu, compared with 346,000 bu same date last year.

No Trading in Oats Futures.

Dec. oats had a bid of 23¼c early in today's market, while May had a bid of 24½c.

There was no trading done.

Receipts of oats at St. Louis today were 27,600 bu, compared with 31,200 bu same date last year. Of these 19 cars were local, compared with 21 cars same date last year.

Stocks of Grain in St. Louis Elevators.

	Today.	Yes'day.	Year ago
Wheat	4,905,129	4,907,660	2,260,074
Corn	163,741	155,623	468,788
Oats	38,207	38,207	7,462
Rye	8,004	8,004	10,964
Barley	83,635	93,052	31,540
No. 2 red wheat	2,068,430	2,072,447	1,659,368
No. 2 hard	286,476	285,683	64,512
No. 2 mixed corn	69,691	68,428	270,025
No. 2 white	12,382	14,022	126,008
No. 2 mixed oats	38,207	38,207	....
No. 2 rye	4,925	4,925	7,541

Export Movements of Grain.

PLACE.	Wheat. Rec.	Wheat. Ship.	Corn. Rec.	Corn. Ship.
New York	68,450	66,459	105,300	157,801
Baltimore	13,732	134,402	216,592	551,439
Phila	36,104	9,700	188,295	138,370
Boston	8,472	72,000	17,185	102,735
Galveston	43,850	....	....	....

Export Flour Movement.

PLACE.	Receipts. Barrels.	Receipts. Sacks.	Shipments. Barrels.	Shipments. Sacks.
New York	5,910	7,735	692	39,623
Baltimore	10,740	....	30,561	....
Phila	....	....	....	6,000
Boston	3,325	....	....	....

Western Movements of Grain.

PLACE.	Wheat. Rec.	Wheat. Ship.	Corn. Rec.	Corn. Ship.
St. Louis	59,555	63,160	123,075	24,014
Chicago	108,300	8,500	380,425	37,406
Toledo	7,100	31,000	68,738	59,900
Detroit	15,805	....	60,437	15,500
Kansas City	73,600	68,800	39,750	12,750
Milwaukee	24,000	9,750	8,100	900
Minneapolis	283,500	42,120	92,200	....
Duluth	90,704	....	15,851	....

Western Flour Movement.

PLACE	Receipts.	Shipm'ts.
St. Louis	4,190	5,516
Chicago	27,938	17,717
Detroit	800	800
Milwaukee	4,375	4,820
Minneapolis	....	41,380

Sample Market Prices.

	Today.	Yesterday.	Year ago.
WHEAT.			
No. 2 red	72½@73	72½@73	71
No. 3 red	70½@71	70 @70½	69 @70
No. 4 red	66 @68	66 @68	63 @68
No. 2 hard	68 @69	68 @69	67½@68½
No. 3 hard	67 @68	67 @68	65 @67
CORN.			
No. 2 mixed	36	36¼	30½@30¾
No. 2 white	36¾	36¾@37	30½@ 0¾
No. 3 mixed	36	36	30 @30¼
No. 3 white	36½	36¼@36½	....
No. 2 yellow	36	36	....
No. 3 yellow	35¾	35¾	....
OATS.			
No. 2 mixed	24	24¼	24½
No. 2 northern	24¼	24½	24½@25
No. 2 white	26¾	26¾@27	26½@26¾
No. 3 white	26¼	26 @26½	25¾@26
No. 4 white	25½	25½@25¾	25 @25½
No. 3 mixed	23½	23½	24
No. 4 mixed	23¼	23¼	23½

Future Prices.

	Closing Yesterday.	Highest Today.	Lowest Today.	Closing Today.
WHEAT.				
Dec	70⅝n	....	....	70⅝n
May	72⅞@73 a	73⅛	73	72⅞@73 b
CORN.				
Dec	35 a	....	....	35 a
May	35⅝a	35⅝	35¼	35¼
OATS.				
Dec	23 b	....	....	23¼b
May	24⅝	....	....	24½b

CHICAGO.

	Closing Yesterday.	Highest Today.	Lowest Today.	Closing Today.
WHEAT.				
Dec	69⅞@70	70¼	69⅝	70 @70¼
Jan	70⅛@70¼	70⅜@70½	70⅛	70¼b
May	73¼	....	73⅜	73¼b
CORN.				
Dec	37	37¼	37	37¼b
Jan	35⅝@36½	35⅝@35⅞	35¼	35¼
May	36	36¼	35⅝	35⅝b

NEW YORK.

	Closing Yesterday.	Highest Today.	Lowest Today.	Closing Today.
WHEAT.				
Dec	76⅝	77	77	77 n
Mch	79¼	79⅝	79¼	79¼a
CORN.				
Dec	44⅝	....	....	44⅝u
May	42	42	42	42 b

HAY

Receipts—Local, 825 tons; through, 140 tons; shipments, 214 tons; market strong; receipts fair; choice timothy, $14; No. 1, $13@13.50; No. 2, $10@12; low grades selling from $9@10. Clover—Mixed, $10@11.50, owing to color and amount of mixture; choice, $12. Prairie—Choice, $11.50; No. 1, $11; No. 2, $10@10.50.

Straw—Wheat, $4.50; rye, $5@6.

Bran—Sacked, 67c.

Rye—No. 2, 50c; No. 3, 49c.

Cloverseed—Per 100 pounds, $5.00@9.25; red top fancy, $7.50.

Hemp—Per 100 pounds, $2.80.

Barley—Receipts, 17,250 bu; shipments, none. Malting grades selling from 55@56c.

FLOUR.

Patents	$3 50@3 60
Straights	3 10@3 20
Clears	2 40@2 65
Low and medium grades	1 90@2 25
Extreme low grades, in jute	1 60@1 75
Pearl meal, hominy and grits	2 25
Cornmeal	1 95
Rye flour	2 90@3 00

PROVISIONS.

PORK—Quiet at $12.25.

LARD—Nominally, $6.97½.

DRY SALT—Extra short, 7c; clear ribs, 7⅛c; clear sides, 7¼c.

BACON—On orders, boxed lots—Extra short, 8c; clear ribs, 8¼c; clear sides, 8⅛c.

BEEF—Plate, $9.50 per bbl.; Fulton, $10.

SUGAR CURED HAMS—9½c.

GREASE—Packers' stock—Yellow, 4⅛c; white, 4⅝c.

LEAD AND SPELTER.

LEAD—$4.20@4.25.

SPELTER—$4.07½.

ON THE STREET.

APPLES—Baldwins, $2.50@3 per barrel; Ben Davis, $2.50@3; Genitings, $3; winesaps, $2.75@3; willowtwigs, $3.00; greenings, $3.00.

LEMONS—Steady and firm; Messina at $3.50@5 per box for choice; California at $4.50@5.

BANANAS—On orders, $1.50@1.75 per bunch.

COCOANUTS—Quotable at $37.50 per 1000—in a small way at $4 per 100.

LIMES—80c@$1 per 100.

ORANGES—Florida, $2.75@3.00 per box; California-Jaffa, $2.75@3.00; Mexican, $2.75@3.00.

PINEAPPLES—Cuban, 90c@1.10 per dozen.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—Rural, 45@50c; early Ohio, 35@40c.

ONIONS—Red, 85c; yellow, 75c.

RADISHES—New Orleans, per dozen bunches, 35@40c.

HORSERADISH—Choice home-grown, $3.

CABBAGE—Danish, $14@15.

SWEET POTATOES—Home-grown Bermudas 35@40c per bu, loose; Nansemonds, 40@45c per bu; yellow, 40@45c.

LETTUCE—Southern grown, $3.00@3.50 per barrel.

EGG PLANT—Plentiful; Florida, $2@2.50 per crate; per dozen, 50c.

TURNIPS—$1.00 per bbl; 30@40c per bu.

STRING BEANS—Consignments selling loose at $1.50@2 per bu for round green.

CELERY—Small, 15@25c; California, $3.00@3.50 per crate; per dozen, 50@60c.

RUTABAGAS—Northern, 30@35c per bu; $1.25 per barrel.

CARROTS—Old Northern, 60c per 100 lbs.

PEPPERS—$1.50@2.50 per crate.

PARSNIPS—$1.25 per barrel.

SPINACH—10@15c per box.

BEETS—25c per bu; $1 per barrel.

PUMPKINS—Home-grown, 40c per 100 pounds.

NUTS.

PECANS—In limited demand; nominal; Texas at 7¼@7¾c; western at 7@7½c.

PEANUTS—Farmers' stock at 2c per pound for red, to 2⅜@3c for white; recleaned and graded at 4@6c.

EGG MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 15.—Receipts, 1267 cases; shipments, 286 cases. Market firm at 19c.

BUTTER.

Creamery—		Dairy—	
Extras	26	Extra	20 @21
Firsts	24 @25	Firsts	18 @19
Seconds	20 @22	Grease	3 @ 4½
Ladle packed—		Country—	
Extra	16	Choice	11½
Firsts	15	Poor to fair	8 @ 9

CHEESE—Jobbing prices: Twins at 11½c; singles at 11¾c; Y. A. at 11¾c; New York at 11½c; Limburger at 11½c; Swiss at 14@15c; brick at 12@12½c.

LIVE POULTRY—Chickens—Hens, 5@5½c; old roosters, 3c; spring chickens, choice receipts, 5@5½c; old turkeys, 6c; young turkeys, 7c. Ducks—7c. Geese, 5½@6c. Live pigeons and squabs, per dozen, 60c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Some undrawn and scalded coming in and meeting fair sale at following prices: Turkeys, 7½@8c per pound; chickens, 6½c; ducks, 8c; geese, 7@7½c.

GAME—Mallard ducks, $3.00 per dozen; Red Heads, $3.00; Canvas backs, $5.00; Blue wing teal, $1.85; Green wing teal, $1.85; mixed, $1.50; jack-snipe, $1.50; plover, $1.25; woodcock, $6.00. Squirrels, 60c; rabbits, 75@90c; quail, undrawn, $1.50; drawn, $1.

VEALS—Steady, with fair demand, for choice small fat but heavy calves dull; choice small fat (110 to 180 pounds), 4c; pounds heavy do (150 to 190 pounds), 4½c; heretics, tough and thin at 3c. Sheep and yearlings, dull, 3½@4c; thin ewes and bucks, 2½@3c per pound; lambs, 4@4½c.

FURS.

Raccoon—		Muskrat	5@10
No. 1 large	70	Opossum—	
No. 1 medium	50	No. 1	20
No. 1 small & No 2	40	No. 2	10
No. 3	20	Trash worthless.	
No. 4	10	Wolf—Prairie	25@45
Mink—		Wolf—Timber	50@1.50
No. 1 large	1 00	Red fox—	
No. 1 medium	80	No. 1	$1.00
No. 3	30	No. 2	60
No. 4	15	No. 3	25
Skunks—Prime, as to size—		No. 4	10
Black, large	$1.00	Gray fox—	
Black, medium	85	No. 1	50
Short stripe	65	No. 2	35
Narrow do	35@40	No. 3	20
Broad do	15	No. 4	10
All blue or unprime less.		Otter—	
		No. 1 large	8.00
		No. 1 medium	6.50
Wild cat	15@25	No. 2	5.50
Civet cat	15	No. 3	3.00
Badger	5@25	No. 4	1.50
House cat	10	Bear	1@12
		Beaver	1@ 6

Extreme southern skins 15 per cent less and northern 15 to 25 per cent more.

WOOL.

Medium	20 @21
Medium clothing	19 @20
Braid and low	18 @18½
Light fine	16 @17
Heavy fine	13 @14
Hard burry	12½@13
Burry and clear mixed	17 @18
Iowa, Wisconsin—	
Clothing and braid	18½@19
Braid and clothing	18 @18½
Fine medium	15 @16
Texas, Indian Territory and Oklahoma—	
Medium	18 @18½
Fine medium	14 @16
Coarse and low	15 @16
Kansas, Nebraska and Western—	
Bright medium	19
Fine medium	14 @15½
Light fine	13 @14
Heavy fine	11 @12
Dark and sandy	14 @16
Dakota and Western—	
Bright medium	18 @18½
Dark medium	14 @15
Fine medium	14 @16
Light fine	14 @15
Heavy fine	12 @13
Arkansas—	
Medium	19 @19½
Burry	14 @15
Hard burry	13

HIDES—Dry flint, average receipts, round, 15c; choice Texas, 15½c. Dry-salted, round, 12½c. Green-salted, western, round, 8¼c; southern, 8c. Dry flint, selected No. 1, 16c; selected No. 2, 14c. Dry-salted No. 1, 13c; No. 2, 12c. Green-salted, No. 1, 8½c; No. 2, 7½c; bull, 6¾c. Uncured, 4c per lb. less; part cured, ½c per lb. less, and glue stock half-price.

DEERSKINS, ETC.—Deerskins quotable at 25c per lb for prime; Texas at 20c; antelope, 12½c; goatskins, 20@30c each.

SHEEP PELTS—Market quiet; full wooled, 50@90c; lambs, 35@50c; shearlings, 20@35c; fallen pelts, 8@9c per lb. according to quality and condition.

BAGGING AND TIES—Higher; 1¾ lb, 6⅝c; 2 lb, 7c; 2½ lb, 7¾c. Cotton ties, $1.25.

BROOMCORN—Scarce and firm, according to quality, $60@80 per ton.

FEATHERS—Firm: small sks, 45c, large sks, 44c; gray and quilly, 35c; white, old, 35c; X, 25@30c; XX, 16@20c; XXX, 10@12c; XXXX, 6c. Turkey—Tail, 20c; wing, 10c.

TALLOW—Country weak; No. 1, 4⅜c; No. 4, 4@4¼c.

SALT—$1@1.10 per bbl, east track.

CIDER—$3.50 per bbl for inferior to $4@4.25 for choice.

BEESWAX—Prime, 26½c.

CASTOR BEANS—Steady at $1.25 per bu.

WHISKY—Highwines, $1.27.

MAPLE SUGAR—15@18c per lb; maple syrup at 90c per gal.

LIVE STOCK.

National Stockyards.

NATIVE CATTLE—Receipts, 50; market quiet for lack of receipts. No sales up to noon hour.

TEXAS CATTLE—Receipts, 200 head; market unchanged.

SALES.

	Av.	Price.
16 steers	469	$3 80
5 cows	638	2 50
7 heifers	654	2 90
4 heifers	440	2 30

SHEEP—None on sale; market for the week closes strong.

HOGS—Receipts, 4100. Market steady.

SALES.

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
75	216	$4 95	53	209	$4 95
75	235	4 90	75	210	4 90
35	231	4 90	78	213	4 90
76	237	4 90	90	208	4 90
90	191	4 87½	84	197	4 87½
13	263	4 85	71	214	4 87½
43	164	4 70	5	296	4 70
24	161	4 70	41	131	4 70
54	97	4 65	38	136	4 65
55	133	4 70	11	87	4 50

HORSES AND MULES—Receipts, 350. Market closed quiet and nominally steady for the week.

HORSE QUOTATIONS

Heavy draft—Common to good	$ 90 00@130 00
Choice to extra	150 00@175 00
Farm chunks—1150 to 1350 lbs., fair to good	65 00@ 85 00
Good to choice	90 00@115 00
Coach horses and cobs—Fair to good	135 00@175 00
Choice to extra	200 00@250 00
Horses for the South—Small, light drivers, fair to good	35 00@ 55 00
Choice to extra	55 00@ 65 00
Southern drivers, large	85 00@115 00
Export chunks—1200 to 1400 lbs., plain to good	75 00@ 95 00
Choice to extra	100 00@120 00
Business drivers—Fair to good	85 00@110 00
Choice to extra	125 00@160 00
Saddlers for southern use—Fair to good	45 00@ 70 00
Choice to extra	80 00@115 00
Fancy gaited and New York saddlers	150 00@300 00
Inferior horses—Common, small plugs	15 00@ 30 00
Heavy work plugs	25 00@ 45 00

MULES—All mule arrivals sold. Market closed firm and stronger.

MULE QUOTATIONS.

(For broke mules, 4 to 7 years old.)

14 hands, extreme range	$45 00@$65 00
14 hands, bulk of sales	50 00@ 55 00
14½ hands, extreme range	50 00@ 70 00
14½ hands, bulk of sales	55 00@ 60 00
15 hands, extreme range	60 00@ 95 00
15 hands, bulk of sales	65 00@ 80 00
15½ hands, extreme range	75 00@105 00
15½ hands, bulk of sales	80 00@ 90 00
16 to 16½ hands, extreme range	95 00@145 00
16 to 16½ hands, bulk of sales	105 00@115 00

Bulk of sales represent mixed mules in first hands. Prices above bulk figures represent first-class mules, extra finish and weight, strictly fat, practically sound and classified.

STOCKYARD NOTES.

Official receipts yesterday at the National Yards were 1598 cattle, 7012 hogs, 1422 sheep and 505 horses and mules.

During the present week at the National Yards there are slight gains of cattle, hogs and sheep over the corresponding period a year ago.

The Chicago cattle market is not outselling St. Louis. During the present week the Dale Texas cattle sold on Tuesday at St. Louis at $4.35, and at Chicago two days later at $4.12½. Four loads of western cattle were bid $4.40 at St. Louis; three loads sold at Chicago for $4.35, and one load at $4.65. Two loads of natives were bid $5.60 and $5.25 at St. Louis, and both were sold for $5.45 at Chicago. Two loads of heavy natives bid $5.50 at St. Louis sold for the same price at Chicago. Two loads of western cattle were bid $4.40 at St. Louis. One load sold at Chicago for $4.40, and the other for $4.35. All the above would have net the most money on the St. Louis market.

Yesterday's southern shipments were: Jos. Lassiter, Richmond, Va., horses; Edgerton, Hollowell & Co., Parkton, N. C., mules and horses; Brant Bros., Orangeburg, S. C., horses and mules; A. W. Jenkins, Conway, S. C., mules; Fuller Bros., Lumberton, S. C., mules and horses; Harper Bros., Charleston, S. C., horses; Harper Bros., Atlanta, Ga., mules; Louis Brandt, New Orleans, La., horses; Bennett L. S. Co., Nashville, Tenn., horses; H. Merwin & Co., Macon, Miss., horses; J. G. Owens, Dothan, Ala., horses and mules; J. S. Hanley, Tuscaloosa, Ala., mules; Abraham Bros., Montgomery, Ala., mules; F. T. Barbour, Vicksburg, Miss., mules and horses.

LIVE STOCK BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; nominally steady. Good to prime steers, $5.30@6.20; poor to medium, $3.75@5.25; stockers and feeders, $2.50@4.40; cows, $2.50@4.00; heifers, $2.60@4.75; canners, $1.75@2.40; bulls, $2.50@4.30; calves, $3.50@5.50; Texas fed steers, $4.00@4.75; Texas grass steers, $3.25@4.00; Texas bulls, $2.50@3.20. Hogs—Receipts today, 25,000; Monday, 40,000; left over, 3325; average shade lower, closing steady to firm. Top, $4.97½; mixed and butchers, $4.65@4.97½; good to choice heavy, $4.70@4.97½; rough heavy, $4.55@4.65; light, $4.65@4.95; bulk of sales, $4.75@4.90. Sheep—Receipts, 2000; sheep and lambs steady. Good to choice wethers, $4.10@4.75; fair to choice mixed, $3.90@4.10; western sheep, $4.00@4.65; Texas sheep, $2.50@3.65; native lambs, $4.25@6.00; western lambs, $5.00@6.00; Christmas lambs, $6.25.

Official yesterday—Receipts, cattle, 2485; hogs, 33,498; sheep, 11,412; shipments, cattle, 3765; hogs, 4315; sheep, 645.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; market unchanged. Christmas steers, $5@6.50; medium natives, $4.50@6; stockers and feeders, $3@4.45; butcher cows and heifers, $3@4.50; canners, $2.50@3; fed westerns, $3.75@5.20; Texans, $3.15@4.40; calves, $3.50@6. Hogs—Receipts, 7000; market steady to easy. Bulk of sales, $4.90@4.92½; heavy, $4.85@4.97½; packers, $4.90@4.95; mixed, $4.85@4.92½; light, $4.85@4.95; yorkers, $4.90@4.95; pigs, $4.35@4.95. No sheep. Special to the Post-Dispatch.

SOUTH ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; market steady; Christmas steers, $6.75. Hogs—Receipts, 8500; market 2½c to 5c lower; bulk, $4.85 to $4.90; range, $4.82½ to $4.92½. Sheep—Receipts, none.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 27.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; market nominally steady; native beef steers, $4[illegible]; western steers, $4@4.50; Texas steers, $3@3.[illegible]; cows and heifers, $3@4; canners, $1.75@2.75; stockers and feeders, $3@4.40; calves, $4@6; bulls, stags, etc., $2@4. Hogs—Receipts, 9300; market shade lower; heavy, $4.80@4.85; mixed, $4.80@4.82½; light, $4.70@4.87½; pigs, $4@4.50; bulk of sales, $4.82½@4.85. Sheep—Receipts, none; market nominally steady. Fed muttons, $3.85@4.25; westerns, $3.70@4.10; common and stock sheep, $3.60@3.85; lambs, $4.25@5.50.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Trade in wheat was confined to narrow limits the first hour today, but prices were fairly steady on steady cables and moderate receipts at Northwestern points. May opened unchanged at 73⅛c, touched 73¼@73⅜c, rallied to 73⅜c and then reacted to 73⅛@73¼c. Local receipts were 115 cars, 23 of contract grade. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 412 cars, against 526 last week and 355 a year ago.

The market ruled dull to the close, which was unchanged for May at 73¼c.

Corn was dull but steady under the influence of light country offerings. Receipts were 416 cars, none of contract grade. May opened unchanged at 36c and sold to 36⅛c.

The close was easy, May ⅛c lower at 35⅞c.

Trade in oats was at a standstill. Receipts were 166 cars. May opened unchanged at 23¾@23⅞c to 23⅝c, and during the first hour these figures stood posted alone on the blackboard.

In provisions there were but half a dozen trades during the first hour. Jan. pork opened 2½c lower at $12.25 and sold to $12.27½; Jan. lard opened unchanged at $6.90, and Jan. ribs unchanged at $6.25, selling to $6.27½.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Cash wheat: No. 2 red, 72½@74½c; No. 3 red, 70@74½c; No. 2 hard winter, 68½@71c; No. 3 hard winter, 67½@70½c; No. 1 northern spring, 71½@73½c; No. 2 northern, 71½@73½c; No. 3 spring, 65½@72½c. Corn—No. 2, 37c; No. 3, 35¼@35½c. Oats—No. 2, 22½@23c; No. 3, 22@22½c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Close—Wheat: Dec., 70@70⅛c; Jan., 70⅛c; Feb., 71⅛c; May, 73¼c. Corn Dec., 37¼c; Jan., 35¼c; Feb., 35c; May, 35⅞c. Oats—Dec., 21½c; Jan., 21⅝@21¾c; May, 23⅝c. Pork—Dec., $11.25; Jan., $12.25; May, $12.12½. Lard—Dec., $7.15@7.17½; Jan., $6.87½; May, $6.92½. Ribs—Dec., $6.37½; Jan., $6.25; May, $6.22½@6.25. Flax—Cash northwest, $1.60½; No. 1, $1.63; Dec., $1.61¼; May, $1.61½.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 15.—Close: May, 66c. Cash—No. 2 hard, 65½@66½c; No. 3, 63@65c; No. 2 red, 69½c; No. 3, 66@68c. Corn—May, 34½@34¼c. Cash—No. 2 mixed, 33⅝c; No. 2 white, 34½c; No. 3, 34@34½c. Oats—No. 2 white, 25@25½c. Rye—No. 2, 46½c. Hay—Choice timothy, $10.50@11; do prairie, $9@9.50. Butter—Creamery, 19@22c; dairy, fancy, 17c. Eggs—Fresh, 21c. Receipts wheat, 72 cars.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Rye—Dec., 46⅝c; Jan., 47c; May, 49c. Barley—Cash, 38@59c. Timothy—Dec., $4.30; March, $4.65.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 15.—Wheat—No. 1 hard cash, 73c; to arive, 73⅜c; Dec., 73c; May, 77¼c; No. 1 northern cash, 71c; Dec., 71c; May, 75¼c; No. 2 northern, 61⅝@66⅝c; No. 3 spring, 52@59⅝c. Corn, 33½c. Oats, 23¼@23¾c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Butter steady; creameries, 15@24c; dairies, 13@20c. Eggs weak; fresh, 23½c. Dressed poultry dull; turkeys, 6@9c; chickens, 7@7½c; ducks, 8@9c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Butter—Receipts, 2639 packages; weak; creamery, 18@25½c; June creamery, 18@23½c; factory, 11½@16c. Cheese—Receipts, 2811 packages; strong; fancy large fall made, 11¾@11½c; fall made fancy small, 11¾@12c. Eggs—Receipts, 2836 packages; firm; western, regular packing, at mark, 22@26c; western, loss off, 28c. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining, 3 29-32c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 13-32c; molasses sugar, 3 21-32c; refined quiet; crushed, 6c; powdered, 5.70c; granulated, 5.60c. Coffee weak, nominal.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 15.—Corn lower; new No. 2, 35c. Oats steady; No. 2 white, 24⅛c, billed through. Whisky on the basis of $1.27 for finished goods.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 15.—Close—Wheat: Cash, 73⅝c; Dec., 71⅛c; May, 74⅛c. On track—No. 1 hard, 74⅝c; No. 1 northern, 72⅝c; No. 2 northern, 69@69⅝c.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 15.—Close: Wheat steady, ⅛d lower to ⅛d higher. Dec., 5s 10⅛d; Feb., 6s; March, 6s ⅛d. Corn firm, ⅛d higher; Jan., 3s 10d; March, 3s 9⅛d. Exchange will close Dec. 24, 25 and 26.

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COTTON ABSORPTION LARGE.

Strength in American Markets Followed the Rise Abroad.

By Wire to Bennett Wasserman & Co.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—An advance of 2@3 points at Liverpool for cotton futures, and a jump of 1-32d for spots there was quickly taken advantage of by domestic cotton bulls today, and as a result the markets of the country improved muchly during the course of business.

There was heavier absorption of the staple during the day than the local trade has seen in some days gone by. This was induced largely by the increased demand from a large short interest, which caused a really urgent request for futures, especially the near positions.

The Chronicle weekly report stated that the weather during the week in the crop sections was of a quite satisfactory character, and that this fact has been the basis for an increased crop movement. Picking is yet being done throughout Arkansas, however, in which region the movement has been of an especially liberal character.

As given by the Chronicle, the total visible supply of cotton at this time is 3,794,000 bales, as compared with 4,221,000 bales on the same date last year.

At the opening there weer a few selling orders in the market, and this caused a break of 2@4 points. Thus far the news has been featureless, but soon the Liverpool cables commenced to show a decided change in sentiment on the other side. Good buying followed the higher cables, and at the end of the first hour there was a general advance, which carried prices up 8@12 points.

Shorts in the January and March futures exhibited especial nervousness, and in these two months the trading was quite heavy, prices ascending the scale with rapidity.

Liverpool prices were, as stated above, quite strong at the close, 2@3 points net gain being indicated for futures, and 1-32d for spots, after a somewhat mixed opening. Business in the spot market abroad was reported as a trifle improved.

New Orleans and local commission houses joined in the purchasing crowd in the final hour, the estimated port receipts—45,000 bales, against 50,159 last week, and 31,859 last year—receiving much attention. Future prices were 8@10 points net higher at the close, with spot market figures unchanged generally.

COTTON.

LOCAL MARKET—Steady and 1-16c higher; sales, 485 bales.

Ordinary	8 5-16c
Good ordinary	8 13-16c
Low middling	9 3-16c
Middling	9⅝c
Middling fair	9⅞c
Good middling	10⅛c

Tinges and stains, ⅛c to ⅜c off white.

WAREHOUSE STATEMENT.

	1899-1900.	1898-1899.
Net receipts today	1,543	999
Net receipts since Sept. 1	158,364	169,982
Net shipments today	1,082	583
Net shipments since Sept. 1	97,428	70,466
Gross receipts	4,247	3,524
Gross receipts since Sept. 1	537,442	562,891
Gross shipments today	3,786	5,137
Gross shipments since Sept. 1	476,566	463,554
Stock on hand	69,739	104,322

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Spot quiet and ⅛c higher; middling, 10⅛c; futures closed steady.

	Closing Yesterday.	Highest Today.	Lowest Today.	Closing Today.
December	9.76	9.80	9.72	9.77
January	9.55	9.64	9.51	9.61
February	9.40	9.53	9.36	9.43
March	9.34	9.45	9.32	9.42
April	9.28	9.37	9.25	9.37
May	9.23	9.36	9.19	9.32
June	9.21	9.29	9.20	9.29
July	9.20	9.30	9.18	9.27

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Spot cotton closed quiet, ⅛c higher: middling uplands, 10⅛c; do gulf, 10⅜c; sales, none. Futures closed barely steady; Dec., 9.77; Jan., 9.61; Dec., 9.46; March, 9.42; April, 9.37; May, 9.32; June, 9.29; July, 9.27; Aug., 9.01; Sept., 8.42; Oct., 8.05.

Liverpool—Spot in limited demand; prices, 1-32d higher; uplands, 5 13-32d; sales, 5000 bales; futures closed barely steady. Dec., 5 18-64d s; Dec. and Jan., 5 16-64d s; Jan. and Feb., 5 13-64d s; Feb. and March, 5 11-64d s; March and April, 5 8-64d b.

Spot Cotton Market.

Galveston—Firm at 9 5-16c; receipts, 15,339 bales.
New Orleans—Firm at 9⅝c; receipts, 15,729 bales.
Mobile—Steady at 9¼c; receipts, 888 bales.
Savannah—Quiet at 9 3-16c; receipts, 6332 bales.
Charleston—Firm at 9c; receipts, 493 bales.
Norfolk—Steady at 9⅜c; receipts, 2861 bales.
Wilmington—Firm at 9⅜c; receipts, 179 bales.
Baltimore—Nominal at 10c; receipts, none.
New York—Quiet at 10⅛c; receipts, 948 bales.
Boston—Quiet at 10c; receipts, 1277 bales.
Philadelphia—Firm at 10⅜c; receipts, 174 bales.
Houston—Steady at 9 5-16c; receipts, 13,675 bales.
Augusta—Steady at 9 9-16c; receipts, 2091 bales.
Memphis—Steady at 9½c; receipts, 3851 bales.

HAD FAILED AS AN ACTRESS

Disappointment over her failure to secure an engagement as an actress is the reason given, in press dispatches from New York, as the most likely cause of Pauline Feste's suicide.

Miss Feste, the story of whose life was told exclusively in Friday's Post-Dispatch, had posed, it appears, at the residence of Mrs. Churchill, 240 East Eighty-third street, where she boarded, as an actress, and had assumed the name of Fanny Humbert. It is said that several theatrical managers declined to give her a place because of her small stature.

The dead girl's remains will not be cremated by the New York authorities, as she requested in the letter she wrote just before her death. Her brother, Ernest, has telegraphed the New York authorities to place the remains in a receiving vault until he arranges for their final disposition. He has cabled the news of Pauline's death to their parents in Paris.

Paul Feste, the other brother, who is at Crystal City, will not go to New York to take charge of the remains, so he has told friends at Crystal City. He has also told them that his sister will not be buried at Crystal City.

WORKMAN'S BAD FALL.

Michael Eggs Internally Injured at New University Buildings.

Michael Eggs of 2722 South Jefferson avenue fell 20 feet off the new Washington University building, west of Forest Park, Saturday morning and received internal injuries from the effects of which he will probably die.

Eggs was at work on a scaffolding, setting stone in place, when he lost his balance and fell to the ground. His left arm was fractured and he was wrenched internally. Dr. Eggers of Clayton responded to the call. Eggs is 52 years of age and married.

Marriages, Births, Deaths

Marriage Licenses.

Otto Gropp, Jr. .... 2217 [illegible]
Annie Jost .... 3309 [illegible]
A. W. Deprez .... 4005 Olive
Irene Steinbuebler .... 2816 Locust

Diamond Engagement Rings.

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Births Recorded.

E. and B. Zander, 3808 Wilmington; girl.
J. and M. Boswell, 1423 Sarah; girl.
F. and L. Leg, 917 Wyoming; girl.
A. and M. Keymer, 2802 Eugenia; boy.
J. and A. Thomas, 6133 Bertha; girl.
C. and K. Schulze, 5332 Wells; boy.
H. and B. Pohl, 2021 Gano; boy.
J. and E. Curley, 1223 N. 7th; boy.
G. and E. Dicksoeger, 1620 Helen; boy.
X. and T. Milkowski, 1326 N. 10th; girl.
F. and N. Nash, 2626 Dickson; girl.
J. and T. Hasson, 1625 N. 19th; boy.
C. and E. Pesoney, 210 W. Schirmer; girl.
T. and M. Malone, 1748A Preston; girl.
F. and R. Gass, 916 Manchester; girl.
E. and C. Dugdale, 4155A Lee; boy.
F. and L. Neber, 2335 Warren; girl.
W. and L. Woodward, 4033 Westminster; boy.
P. and V. Brehm, 2417 N. 15th; girl.

Burial Permits.

M. Gorman, 3, 3701 N. Broadway; endocarditis.
W. Wiese, 25, 2548 N. Market; alcoholism.
D. Voss, 51, 2520 Glasgow; gastritis.
A. Praskauer, 62, 4428 West Belle; pneumonia.
J. McLaughlin, 73, Poorhouse; nephritis.
W. Feig, 5, 2321 S. 7th; scarlet fever.
J. Copley, 6, 1328 N. 11th; typhoid.
A. Timmen, 18, 2209 N. Market; suicide.

NEWS FROM CITY CHURCHES

REV. MERTON SMITH AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

MANY CHANGES OF PRIESTS.

Fr. Lubeley of St. Henry's Church Going to Troy and Fr. Patri of Charleston Coming to St. Henry's—Other Transfers.

Rev. Merton Smith, the Scotch evangelist, will preach at the First Congregational Church Sunday morning and evening. He is a speaker of such force and and convincing power that Mr. Moody of world renown once said when introducing him to a Chicago audience: "He is a brand snatched from the burning, and has a fierce look about him, but the fire is in him and burns in his very bones to the glory of God." The subject of his evening discourse will be, "The Peace of Righteousness." At this service the musical program will be as usual under the direction of Mr. Krueger and will include Mrs. Buckner's solo, "A Child of a King;" a solo by Mrs. Black, "Peace, the Gift of God's Love," and anthems by the regular quartet.

Several transfers among the Catholic clergy of St. Louis have been recently announced. Among them are: Rev. Joseph F. Lubeley of St. Henry's Church to Troy, Mo., and Rev. Father Petri of Charleston, Mo., to St. Henry's, St. Louis. Rev Father Stephen Brady of Troy, Mo., will go to St. Patrick's Church as assistant to Father Dempsey. Rev. Francis Holweck, who has been in charge of St. Aloysius' during the absence of the rector, has been appointed as assistant at the Church of Our Lady of Our Perpetual Succor and Rev. W. C. A. Schulte, assistant at the latter church, goes to Caruthersville, Mo.

The St. Louis City Mission, 1502 South Broadway, proposes to give the Sunday School of over 800 children a Christmas tree. Refreshments, with singing and games.

The special services by the Congregational ministers have been held this week at the Bethlehem Bohemian Congregational Church. The audiences have been large and the meetings are working up great interest among the people of that denomination.

The popular concert to be given at the Odeon Sunday afternoon under the direction of Prof. Robyn will be a benefit for the Queen's Daughters' charities.

At the Methodist ministers' meeting on Monday the relation of the church to the general temperance questions as they are influenced by present political conditions, came up for discussion, but a decision was postponed until the next meeting on Monday.

The subject, in the series of advent sermons by Dr. R. A. Holland of St. George's Episcopal Church next Sunday morning, will be "Christian Science."

Dr. W. W. Boyd of the Second Baptist Church is delivering a course of lectures on Sunday evenings at Temple Shaare Emith on "What the Nineteenth Century Has Done." Next Sunday evening his subject will be "In Religious Opinion." A service of praise precedes each lecture.

The choir of Christ Church Cathedral is busily engaged in preparing for a rendition of selections from the "Mesiah" on Sunday evening, Dec. 30. The offerings at the cathedral Christmas will be for the aged and infirm clergy of the diocese. On next Sunday offerings will be taken for the theological educational fund of the diocese.

Lesson XI. of the course of "History and Structure of the Bible" at the Y. M. C. A., conducted by Rev. Howard S. McAyeal, on next Sunday afternoon will be "The Place of Christ in the Scriptures." A. A. Ebersole will instruct his class next Sunday afternoon on "With the Man Born Blind" in his course on "The Conversations of Christ." Ira E. Lute will conduct his "Character Studies," taking "David" as his subject. W. E. Henderson is conducting a class on "Personal Christian Service Chart," in which he endeavors to acquaint his hearers with leading passages of scripture and to show how to use these passages by illustrations from actual experience. A chart is used as the basis of the work. His subject for Sunday afternoon will be "My Commission."

On next Monday evening at Association Hall the Baker-Murray concert company will give one of the members' entertainments.

On Jan. 2 a kindergarten for children under the school age will be opened in the Schuyler Memorial House under the auspices of Christ Church Cathedral.

A branch of the Isabelle Crow Kindergarten will be opened at Watts' Chapel, formerly the Victor Street Mission, for the benefit of the children of the poor. It has been undertaken by several members of the Marvin Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The ladies of St. George's Guild held their annual sale of useful and fancy articles on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 14 and 15, afternoon and evening, at Guild House, at Pendleton avenue and Olive street.

Father Holweck, pastor of St. Aloysius Church, has returned from a long extended trip abroad. He will deliver a course of lectures on his travels.

Rev. A. B. Gass, D.D., will deliver a lecture Sunday evening at St. Anne's Church on "The Invaluable Treasures of the Catacombs of Rome." The proceeds will be devoted to the needs of St. Anne's School. The interior of the church has been redecorated and presents a pleasing appearance.

Commencing Sunday evening Rec. George C. Needham will conduct evangelistic services in the Compton Hill chapel, on La Salle street, near Compton avenue. The meetings will be held every evening except Saturday for one week at 8 o'clock. Mr. Needham has traveled as an evangelist through not only this country but Europe and Japan.

Rev. S. U. Martin has been conducting revival meetings during the week at the Fifth Christian Church and probably they will be continued during the coming week. Next Sunday morning he will preach on "Society Conduct of Men and Women," and in the afternoon on "Christian Bicycling." The revival has been successful.

Rev. Charles Stelze, pastor of Menard Street Mission, is giving a series of free entertainments in the way of stereopticon lectures every Tuesday evening. His subject next Tuesday will be "Ben Hur." He is also delivering a series of Sunday evening sermons, his subject next Sunday evening being "The Thunder of Silent Fidelity." On Friday evenings he conducts a Bible class and will take for the study next Friday evening "How to Study a Chapter of the Bible," with the second chapter of Acts as an illustration. He has inaugurated a series of cottage meetings for Wednesday evenings. Six meetings are held at different houses in the parish on these evenings. The workers are divided into six sets of three each.

The annual fair and bazar of the Ladies' Association of the Compton Hill Congregational Church was held on Thursday and Friday afternoons and evenings. The proceeds were devoted to paying off the church debt. On next Wednesday evening the annual business meeting of the church will be held, preceeding which the members of the congregation will take supper in the church.

Recently Rabbi Harrison addressed the members of the Monday Club of Webster Groves on "The Bible in the Light of Modern Thought." Rev. W. H. Bates of the Webster Groves Presbyterian Church has announced that he will answer Dr. Harrison's address.

Several of the churches are making arrangements for watch meeting on New Year's Eve. There will be many union services, as is customary. An interesting service will be held in the Compton Hill Congregational Church commencing at 9 p. m. and lasting until 12 o'clock. The first address will be made by Rev. Luccock of the Union M. E. Church; the second by Rev. Father James T. Coffey of St. John's Roman Catholic Church on "Morality for the New Century"; the third speaker will be Rt. Rev. Daniel S. Tuttle, Episcopal bishop, on "What Kind of Count Is Time Striking for You?" Other prominent speakers are expected. Instrumental and vocal music will be interposed between the addresses. Ot 11 o'clock lunch will be served in the chapel.

The members of St. Mark's Young Men's Society at Venice, Ill., will produce the play, "Shaun Rhue," in the near future. The members of the cast are rehearsing.

The Young Men's Hebrew Association finds itself so much cramped in its present quarters that the members are discussing plans to obtain a larger clubhouse. A proposition has been made by a citizen to erect a building on Olive street and Vandeventer avenue, with ballroom, gymnasium, swimming pool and equipments found in a first-class clubhouse. The offer is being considered.

Though the Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church has one of the largest auditoriums in the city, it is not large enough for Mr. Newell's Union Bible class, which meets in that church on Tuesday evenings. The attendance has been so large that Dr. Sneed has been forced to seek more commodious quarters and it is expected that he will succeed in securing the Coliseum after Jan. 1 for these meetings.

The statistical report for the Sunday Schools of St. Louis shows that there are 336 schools of all denominations in the city, with 68,533 scholars and 4627 teachers.

Representatives of all the Southern Methodist Churches in the St. Louis district met at Centenary Church Tuesday night and effected the organization of the Church Extension and City Mission Society Constitution and bylaws were adopted. Regular business meetings will be held every month and a general mass meeting twice a year. All who contribute $1 a year to the society will become members and provision is also made for life memberships. The following officers were elected: President, Murray Carleton; vice-president, R. M. Scruggs; financial secretary, A. E. Whitaker; recording secretary, G. H. Oliver; treasurer, H. S. Christie.

Evangelist J. H. Dew began revival services in the Carondelet Baptist Church last Sunday. The meetings will be continued a week or two longer

The Epworth League of the Wagoner Place M. E. Church, South, has elected officers as follows for the next six months: President, Miss Mary Sutton; first vice-president, Miss Laura Ebbert; second vice-president, Ross Farnsworth; third vice-president, Miss Mame Walker; secretary, Miss Julia Patton, and treasurer, Charles Parker.

Rev. E. E. Castner of Michigan is visiting St. Louis under the auspices of the Young People's Christian Temperance Union, which was organized at the West End Coliseum a short time ago. He will remain here a week and during his stay deliver several lectures.

On next Sunday morning Rev. John W. Day of the Church of the Messiah will preach a special sermon on "Business and Faith." Members of the St. Louis Credit Men's Association have been invited to attend.

The plays which were so successfully presented by the older members of the Sunday school of the Church of the Messiah will be repeated early in January.

Meetings have been held this week at the Grand Avenue United Presbyterian Church by Rev. J. F. Jamieson of Monmouth, Ill. These meetings have been well attended and will conclude with a communion service on Sunday morning and a special service at night. On the Friday before Christmas at 8 o'clock in the evening there will be a Christmas tree and jubilee for the children.

Meetings were held at the Wagoner Place Presbyterian Church on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, preparatory to the communion services on Sunday morning. Rev. N. J. Walter, the pastor, was assisted by Rev. C. M. Ritchie of Pinkneyville, Ill.

A bazar will be held afternoon and evening of next Tuesday, with a turkey supper from 5 to 8 p. m., at Howard's Hall, Garrison avenue and Olive street, by the Women's Benevolent Aid Society. There will be many attractive booths, with many fancy articles and bric-a-brac, appropriate for Christmas presents. A feature will be an old curiosity shop.

The afternoon and evening normal classes of the Church Sunday School Institute will hold their regular weekly meetings on Monday next at the Schuyler Memorial House. The 4 o'clock class will be in charge of Rev. G. Tuckerman, the 8 o'clock class being instructed by Rev. Allen K. Smith.

The members of the Social Settlement League will hold their regular recitation meeting Saturday night at their rooms at the southwest corner of Ninth and Wash streets. The recitations by Dr. William Preston Hill and Miss Winnifred Hill will be special features of the program. Sigmund G. Gelbart will act as chairman of the meeting on each Saturday night. Visitors are invited.

Julius C. Birge gave a lecture on "The South Sea Islands and Our New Possessions" at Memorial Congregational Church Thursday night. It was given on behalf of the Boys' Brigade and was illustrated with 160 stereopticon views.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Tower Grove Methodist Episcopal Church, 1117 Kentucky avenue served supper, with oysters, on Thursday evening from 6 to 10 p. m.

The women of the First Christian Church will give an oyster supper and bazar Thursday and Friday afternoons and evenings, Dec. 20 and 21.

The ladies' meetings of the Second Baptist Church on the second and fourth Tuesday afternoons of each month are held at 2:30 p. m., in the chapel of Temple Shaare Emeth, Vandeventer and Lindell boulevard.

The music at the Second Baptist Church services Sunday will be specially attractive. In the morning Mr. Humphrey will sing "The Holy City." At 7:45 p. m. Mr McIntyre will give an organ recital of 20 minutes at Temple Shaare Emeth, and the service of praise includes a solo by Mrs. Cunningham.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Beulah Christian Church will hold a "Christmas Market" at 4720 Easton avenue from 2 to 8 p. m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Dolls and fancy goods will be offered for sale.

The ladies of the Maplewood Congregational Church gave their annual New England supper and bazar Friday evening in the church parlors.

The election of officers and chaplains of the St. Louis Christian Willing Workers will be held Monday evening at 2719 Morgan street.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Christian Church will hold an all-day meeting Wednesday at the church, 3126 Locust street.

Successful meetings have been held by Evangelist Hartsough at Hyde Park Congregational Church every night this week, with 50 conversions recorded. Sunday there will be meetings in the morning, afternoon and evening, at which the evangelist will speak. The afternoon meeting at 3 o'clock will be for children and their parents, while the evening session will be for all ages.

Presbyterian.

FIRST UNITED.—Rev. Charles R. Watson, pastor. Morning, "Over Against the Treasury;" evening, "No Failures, No Discouragements."

GRACE.—Rev. E. C. Jacka, pastor. Morning, "Self Evident Truths;" evening, "The Prodigal's Brother."

LAFAYETTE PARK.—Rev. S. C. Palmer, pastor. Morning, "The Son of Man Is Come;" evening, services.

NORTH CABANNE.—Rev. S. Howard Smith, pastor. Morning and evening services.

WEST.—Rev. Francis L. Ferguson, pastor. Morning and evening services.

FIRST.—Rev. W. J. McKittrick, pastor. Morning, "The Christian Use of Faults and Failures;" evening, "The Infallibility of the Bible."

SECOND.—Rev. S. J. Niccolls, pastor. Morning and evening services.

GRAND.—Rev. J. F. Cannon, pastor. Morning, "The Flood;" evening, services.

CURBY MEMORIAL.—Rev. E. D. Walker, pastor. Morning, "God's Extreme Measure of Love and Mercy;" evening, "Abraham."

LEE.—Rev. Henry Gardner, pastor. Morning, "If God Doth Work, Who Can Hinder?" evening, services.

CENTRAL.—Rev. Archibald Fairly Carr, pastor. Morning and evening services.

TYLER PLACE.—Rev. Dean R. Leland, pastor. Morning, "Christ and the Prophets."

Congregational.

COMPTON HILL.—Rev. W. W. Newell, pastor. Morning, Rev. C. L. Kloss; evening, usual services.

FOUNTAIN PARK.—Rev. Jeremiah C. Cromer, pastor. Morning, "The Influence of the Pilgrims on American History;" evening, "Christ and Woman."

MAPLEWOOD.—Rev. Theodore T. Holway, pastor. Morning, "Christ as a Personal Worker;" evening, "Two Kinds of Bookkeeping."

OLIVE BRANCH.—Rev. William Johnson, pastor. Morning and evening services.

REDEEMER.—Rev. F. Lonsdale of Denver will preach morning and evening. Morning, "Deeper Meanings."

MEMORIAL.—Rev. Frank Foster, pastor. Morning, "Imitators of God;" evening, "Unbelief and Faith."

FIRST.—Rev. C. H. Patton, pastor. Rev. Merton Smith of Scotland will preach morning and evening. Morning, "The Holy War;" evening, "The Peace of Righteousness."

PILGRIM.—Rev. M. Burnham, pastor. Morning, "Christ, the Savior of the Lost;" evening, "Christ, the Light of the World."

Methodist.

LINDELL.—Rev. Daniel Dorchester, Jr., pastor. Morning, second discourse on "Balaam: an Example in Soul Tragedy;" evening, "The Moral Gains of the Century."

UNION.—Rev. N. Luccock, pastor. Morning, "The Divine Answer;" evening, "Gilded Sin."

TOWER GROVE.—Morning, Rev. T. E. Prall· evening, Rev. A. M. Billingsley.

MOUNT AUBURN.—Rev. Josephus Stephan, pastor. Morning, "Grieving Our Best Friend;" evening, "Making God a Liar."

MAPLE.—Rev. A. M. Billingsley, pastor. Morning, "The Pastor;" evening, "Prof. Charles E. Witter.

WAGONER.—Rev. T. E. Sharp, pastor. Morning, and evening services.

Christian.

MOUNT CABANNE.—Rev. Frank G. Tyrrell, pastor. Morning, "The Glory of the Cross;" evening, "The Hamlet of the New Testament."

WEST END.—Rev. O. A. Bartholomew, pastor. Morning, "Honor for Honor;" evening, "Which Side Are You On?"

SECOND.—Mr. W. Daviess Pittman, minister. Morning, "Lost;" evening, "A Christian's Inheritance."

CARONDELET.—H. L. Sornberger, pastor. Morning, "The Church's Need;" evening, "The World's Need."

CENTRAL.—Rev. James McAllister, pastor. Morning, "The Naturalness of Prayer;" evening, "Weighed and Found Wanting."

COMPTON HEIGHTS.—Rev S. B. Moore, pastor. Morning, "The Nearness of God;" evening, "The Cry of the Awakened Soul."

BEULAH.—Rev W. A. Moore, pastor. Morning, "Gospel Preaching;" evening, "Paul Stirred at City Problems—Are You?"

FIRST.—Rev F. O. Fannon, pastor. Rev. William Ross Lloyd of Richmond, Ky., will preach morning and evening.

Baptist.

GRAND.—Rev. Alvin Wellington Claxon, pastor. Morning and evening services.

SECOND.—Rev. W. W Boyd, pastor. Morning, "Hope Amid Life's Changes;" evening, "Changes in Religious Opinion."

IMMANUEL.—Rev. Charles H. Murray, pastor. Morning, "Walking With God;" evening, "From Weakness to Power."

LAFAYETTE.—Rev. T. C. Carleton, pastor. Morning, "What Shall I Bring to the Service of My Lord?" evening, "How Cornelius Was Saved."

DELMAR.—Rev. John T. M. Johnston, pastor. Morning, "The Mighty Century;" evening, services.

THIRD.—Rev. R. P. Johnston, pastor. Usual Sunday services.

Episcopal.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION.—Rev. J. R. Winchester, rector. Holy communion, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday school, 9:30; morning prayer and sermon, 11; evening prayer and sermon, 7:30.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.—Rev. Charles Trotman, rector. Sunday school, 9:30; morning services and holy communion at 11; evening service, 8 o'clock.

ST. GEORGE'S.—Rev. Robert A. Holland, pastor. Morning, "Christian Science."

ST. PETER'S.—Rev. William Short, rector. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; morning service, 11 o'clock. The Bible study class and the night service have been dispensed with temporarily.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION.—Rev. Robert E. Lee Craig, pastor. Holy communion, 9 a. m.; morning sermon at 11 on "The Credentials Christ Gave John the Baptist as Evidence of His Divine Mission;" evening, lecture on "Church History."

ST. ANDREW'S.—Rev. J. A. Dooris, pastor. Holy communion, 7:30; Sunday school, 9:30; communion and morning service at 11, and evening prayer and sermon at 7:45.

Undenominational.

ETHICAL SOCIETY.—Mr. W. L. Sheldon, lecturer. Prof. Charles Zeublin on "Education in Democracy."

NONSECTARIAN.—Rev. R. C. Cave, pastor. Morning service. Liberal Bible class will meet at 10 o'clock.

Lutheran.

MOUNT CALVARY.—Rev E. T. Coyner, pastor. Morning, "Art Thou He That Should Come?" Afternoon, German service; evening, "Sinner or Saint."

ST. MARK'S.—Dr. M. Rhodes, pastor. Morning, "The Outlook for the Church;" evening, "Christ Seeking Entrance to the Heart."

Unitarian.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH.—Rev. John W. Day, pastor. Morning, "Business and Faith."

CHURCH OF THE UNITY.—Rev. Edward G. Spencer, pastor. Morning, "The Church and Modern Life."

Reformed.

SALEM.—Rev. W. F. Horstmeier, pastor. Morning and evening services.

MAPLE.—Rev. John C. Horning, pastor. Morning, "An Eclipse of Faith;" evening, "The Philosophy of Life."

Hebrew.

TEMPLE SHAARE EMETH.—Rabbi Sale. Morning, "Has Mankind Fallen From Grace?"

Spiritualism.

CHURCH OF SPIRITUAL UNITY.—Rev. W. F. Peck, pastor. Afternoon, lyceum; evening, "Profession and Practices, Or Who Are the Infidels?"

FIRST SPIRITUAL ASSOCIATION.—Rev. Thomas Grimshaw, pastor. Morning, "Spiritual and Creedal Christianity—Their Relation to Spiritualism;" afternoon lyceum; evening, "Questions Answered."

SPIRITUAL RESEARCH.—Rev. E. B. Price, pastor. Services at 3 o'clock p. m. at Helby's Hall, Ninth and Arsenal streets.

ST. LOUIS PROGRESSIVE UNION.—Meeting at 3 o'clock p. m. at 3515 Page avenue.

Other Churches.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST—Morning and evening subject, "Is the Universe, including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?"

CHURCH OF THE DIVINE HUMANITY—Rev. S. C. Eby, pastor—Morning, "Moses and the Law;" evening, Rev. C. A. Nussbaum will speak on "The Truth Concerning Marriage."

JEW AND GENTILE MISSION, 2823 Easton av.—Rev. H. M. Shugarman, pastor. Services morning and evening. Special meetings for Jews Friday evenings.

HOLINESS MISSION, 2823 Easton avenue.—F. N. Roberts, superintendent. Usual Sunday services, conducted by Evangelist W. N. McCandless.

ST. LOUIS THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY—Services Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock in room 34 of the Linmar Building. Subject, "Nature of Theosophical Proofs."

WILLING WORKERS—Workhouse and City Hospital, 9:15 a. m.; Poor Farm and Marine Hospital, 2; Jail and Female Hospital, 2:30.

CHURCH OF THE DIVINE HUMANITY, SWEDENBORGIAN.—Rev. S. C. Eby, pastor. Morning, "The Gradual Development of the Soul;" evening, "Wealth and the Man."

HYDE PARK.—Rev. W. M. Jones, pastor. Rev. D. M. Hartsough will conduct services. Morning, "Faith in the Unseen;" afternoon, meeting for children and parents; evening, mass meeting.

CITY NEWS.

The Wheels of Commerce are well greased at Crawford's, as notice how smoothly, swiftly and steadily they spin!! They don't have to use the "Standard Oil" either, but a kind of their own manufacture, which requires brains instead of hog fat!! The two don't compare!!

STREET MAIL CAR ON FIRE

Ceiling Ignited From Overheated Stove and the Mail Clerks Formed Themselves Into a Bucket Brigade.

Flames burst from the roof of a street railway mail car as it was en route south along Twelfth and approaching Pine street Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock.

Pedestrians on the sidewalks were startled by the unusual sight and shouted a warning to the motorman and conductor, who jumped from the burning car, followed by Railway Postal Clerk Philip Enzinger. They dashed into a store close by and returned with buckets filled with water.

By this time smoke was ascending in a cloud from the car roof and a large crowd had been attracted to the scene. Motorman G. B. Steckard and Conductor Louis McGrath entered the car and dashed their supply of water against the ceiling, which had been ignited from an over-heated stovepipe. Clerk Enzinger wholly extinguished the smouldering fire with his bucketful.

Beyond the charring of the woodwork in the roof around the opening through which the stovepipe found vent, no damage was done. There was not any mail aboard, as the car was then on its way south to Carondelet, from which section of the city its collection of mail is made. The transit officials say the damage was slight.

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PULLED GUN THROUGH FENCE

This Too Common Act Caused the Instant Death of Frank R. Magner of Paris, Ill.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

PARIS, Ill., Dec. 15.—Frank R. Magner, president of the Levings Bros. Seed Co. of this city, and one of the foremost business men here, was instantly killed while hunting, southeast of the city, Friday afternoon.

Mr. Magner was accompanied by Rev. J. A. Blair, pastor of the local Presbyterian Church. They were in opposite parts of the field, when Mr. Blair heard the report of his companion's gun.

He hurried in that direction, supposing the birds had been located, and was horrified to find Mr. Magner lying dead, with his gun pulled partially through a fence, over which he had just climbed.

The entire charge of shot had taken effect in the left side, penetrating the heart.

Mr. Magner was 44 years of age and unmarried.

TO REINSURE CHOSEN FRIENDS.

Supreme Recorder Arranges With a New Order.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 15.—It is officially announced that the Order of Chosen Friends is involved to the extent of $511,289.14, a much larger sum than was at first announced. The Indiana insurance department shows the organization's unpaid claims are as follows:

Death benefits adjusted, $327,417.04; death benefits unadjusted, $153,899.65; death benefits adjusted waiting proofs of rights of beneficiaries, $5837.25; old age claims, $24,135; total, $511,289.14.

To meet these claims the assets amount to $137,806.85, in addition to which there is some petty cash in the hands of the treasurer.

It will be announced in an address which Supreme Recorder Lynn will send out today to the secretaries of the 551 councils of the Chosen Friends that he has made arrangements with the Standard Fraternal Organization, a new order now being organized, to reinsure such members of the order as may desire.

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WOMAN'S ALLEGED FORGERY

New York Elevated Railroad Gateman's Wife Said to Have Played for a Stake of $25,750.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Margaret M. Heppenheimer, 26 years old, wife of an elevated railroad gateman, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of having forged the names of Fred B. House and Moses Grosman of the law firm of House, Grosman & Vorhaus to a check for the sum of $25,750.

It is charged that during a call at the firm's office she managed to secure some of their stationery. On this, it is alleged, she wrote out an order for $25,750, to which she signed the names mentioned. This order she endeavored to discount at the Metropolitan Land Co., which led to the detection of the alleged forgery and to her arrest.

PAN-AMERICAN ATHLETICS.

Managers Have Agreed Upon a Temporary Program.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—James E. Sullivan, athletic manager of the Pan-American Exhibition sports, has returned from Buffalo, where he had a conference with Jesse C. Dann, chairman of the sports committee of the Pan-American exhibition. They agreed on a temporary program comprising sports to take up nearly every day of the exhibition from May 11 to Nov. 1.

The Amateur Athletic Union has practically decided to have its track and field championship meeting in Buffalo in June, preceded by a monster handicap athletic meeting. Everything points to the most successful sporting carnival ever held. Sullivan says it will eclipse in every way the sports at the Paris Exposition.

The program agreed on will have to be submitted to the committee on sports, which will hold a meeting soon. Then it will be transmitted to the governing bodies throughout the country for their approval.

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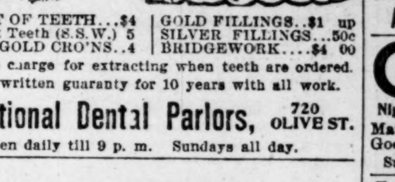
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ELECTION NOTES.

ELECTION NOTICE—The annual election of officers of the St. Louis Club will be held at the clubhouse, 3663 Lindell bl., on Saturday, Dec. —, 1900. Polls open from 9 a. m. until 8 p. m. The annual meeting will take place the same evening at 9 o'clock. H. C. PIERCE, President. —. WIGGINS, Secretary.

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